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of the

TOWN of STRAFFORD

NEW HAMPSHIRE

1974

*For the Year Ending
December 31, 1974*



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Dedicates Its 1974 Annual Reports
to
OSCAR B. PRATT
For His Many Years
As Selectman and Trustee of Trust Funds

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TOWN OFFICERS

SELECTMEN

Lester E. Huckins Albert W. Leighton Wesley W. Wheeler

TOWN CLERK and TREASURER

Phyllis F. Lynbourg

TAX COLLECTOR

Beatrice Varney

MODERATOR

Russell C. Shillaber

SUPERVISORS OF CHECK LIST

Freda J. Harding Myrtle Hammer Dorothy Chandler

HEALTH OFFICER

Arthur Van Buskirk

AUDITORS

Roger Leighton Loren Pierce

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Albert Brown Oscar Pratt Donald Poppema

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Martha Bennett Erma Messenger Davis Clarke

LIBRARIAN

Eleanor Smith

FIRE WARDEN

Sumner Hayes

DEPUTIES

Herbert Scribner
Loren Pierce

George Thorne

John MacDougall
Radford Messenger

ROAD AGENT

Radford Messenger

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

David S. Dupee

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Arthur Van Buskirk

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Edgar E. Burrows, Chief

Stephen Leighton

William Porter

Carl Brown

PLANNING BOARD

Wesley Pierce
David Dupee

Lester Huckins

Robert Dowst
James Foss

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Philip Dame
Wesley Martin

Carolyn Clarke

John Horan
Maurice Caswell

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Richard Nelson
John Bozak

Gail Barry

Jo Ann Brown
Spencer Smith

TOWN WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Polls Open 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Strafford in the County of Strafford in said state qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Strafford Elementary School in said Strafford on Tuesday, the Fourth day of March 1975 at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Please Note: All Articles except No. 1 will be taken up at 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 4, 1975.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriation of the same.

3. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$4,500 for Public Welfare, including Old Age Assistance.

4. To see if the Town will accept Town Road Aid and raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,042.49 to which the State will contribute \$6,949.96.

5. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for Highways and Bridges (\$3,000 from Revenue Sharing)

6. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$800.00 for maintenance of the Bow Lake Fire Department.

7. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for observance of Memorial Day.

8. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the Lakes Region Association.

9. To hear the report and see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,062.00 in support of the Rural District Health Council.

10. To hear the report and see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,700.00 as a donation to the Center Barnstead Fire Department for providing Ambulance Service to the Town of Strafford. (\$1,500.00 from Revenue Sharing)

11. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to be expended by the Bow Lake Community Club to help defray the cost of the annual Fourth of July Fireworks Display.

12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the control of the White Pine Blister Rust Disease.

13. To see if the Town will establish a Recreation Commission as provided by State Statute to consist of five members, residents of the Town, to be appointed by the Selectmen. (By Petition)

14. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,300.00 for the operation of the beaches at Bow Lake Dam for the 1975 season. (By Petition)

15. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 to be added to an existing appropriation of \$1,264.64 to create a recreation fund to be expended as the recreation commission may determine for capital, improvement at the Bow Lake Dam area, such as fencing, docking facilities and safety equipment; and to see if the Town will apply for Federal Bureau of Outdoor Recreation matching funds for such expenditures. (By Petition)

16. To see if the Town will vote to adopt Evans Mountain Road, so-called as a Scenic Road as provided by RSA 253: 16, 17 and 18. Evans Mountain Road is more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point on its eastern end adjacent to the Kenneth Berry residence, thence running westerly beyond its intersection with Parson Hill Road so-called and continuing to the Barnstead-Strafford Town Line and its terminus. Total length approximately 1¼ miles. (By Petition)

17. To see if the Town will authorize the selectmen to create a Capital Reserve Fund specifically for the purchase of a new fire truck and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for same.

18. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 toward the cost of a Town Map.

19. To see if the Town will authorize the selectmen to hire a part-time assistant for routine office work, not to exceed \$800.00 for the year.

20. To see if the Town will vote to accept the section of road, known as "Aspen Drive" in Whig Hills Development. This road is constructed to Town Road Specifications.

21. To see if the Town will vote to pay \$3.00 per hour for all hourly labor.

22. (RSA 412:3) Will the Town vote authorize the selectmen to procure for the protection and benefit of the town and its officers such policies of insurance as the selectmen in their discretion shall determine against loss or expense by reason of claims made upon the town or its officers for damages on account of bodily injuries suffered by any person or on account of damage to or the destruction of property.

23. To see if the Town will vote to join the Strafford Regional Planning Commission and the Strafford-Rockingham Regional Planning Council as authorized by RSA 36:46 and raise and appropriate \$965.00 as an assessment of same.

24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$2,500.00 for the operation of the Strafford Library. (\$825.00 from Revenue Sharing)

25. To see if the Town will vote to authorize withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 for use as set-offs against budget appropriations in the amount indicated:

Road Maintenance	\$3,000.00
Ambulance Service	1,500.00
Library	<u>825.00</u>
	\$5,325.00

26. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to negotiate with the Selectmen of Northwood in regard to disposing of Strafford's solid waste at a proposed incineration plant at Northwood and activate a program if feasible.

27. To see if the Town will grant 2% discount on Taxes paid within thirty-five days of mailing of tax bill.

28. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of Taxes.

29. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 12th day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-five.

LESTER E. HUCKINS
ALBERT W. LEIGHTON
WESLEY W. WHEELER
Selectmen of Strafford

A true copy of Warrant – Attest:

LESTER E. HUCKINS
ALBERT W. LEIGHTON
WESLEY W. WHEELER
Selectmen of Strafford

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD, N. H.

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue
for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1975 to December 31, 1975
Compared with
Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures
of the Previous Year January 1, 1974 to December 31, 1974

SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1974	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1974	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1975
From State:			
Interest & Dividends Tax	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 5,555.24	\$ 5,500.00
Savings Bank Tax	1,200.00	980.97	1,000.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	5,500.00	6,098.60	6,000.00
Highway Subsidy (Cl. IV & V)	14,147.22	14,147.22	14,147.22
Reimb. Forest Conservation Aid	25.00	41.76	50.00
Reimb. a/c Business Profits Tax —			
Town Portion	1,800.00	1,851.16	1,900.00
Class V Maintenance Fund	509.00	509.90	442.79
From Local Sources:			
Dog Licenses	550.00	698.00	700.00
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees	250.00	249.00	1,000.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	16,000.00	17,454.56	17,000.00
Interest on Taxes & Deposits	2,200.00	2,880.78	3,300.00
From Special Fire Account	0	935.40	0
From Sesquicentennial Committee	0	715.47	0
National Bank Stock Taxes	174.75	178.25	178.25
Resident Taxes Retained	4,200.00	6,400.00	6,400.00
Normal Yield Taxes Assessed	500.00	1,694.14	1,000.00
Sale of Town Property	0	300.00	0
Revenue Sharing Funds Trans- ferred to General Account	0	10,000.00	0
Surplus From Federal Sources:			
Revenue Sharing	8,326.00	7,663.00	6,200.00
*TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL			
SOURCES EXCEPT			
PROPERTY TAXES			
*AMOUNT TO BE RAISED	\$59,381.97	\$78,353.45	\$64,818.26
BY PROPERTY TAXES			
TOTAL REVENUES			
			\$305,633.85
			\$370,452.11

*Total estimated "Revenues from all sources except Property Taxes" deducted from Total Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year gives "Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes".

APPROPRIATIONS

	Appropriations Previous Year 1974	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1974	Estimated Appropriations Ensuing Year 1975
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 4,600.00	\$ 4,699.80	\$ 4,700.00
Town Officers' Expenses	2,200.00	2,594.14	3,300.00
Election & Registration Expenses	1,000.00	831.00	700.00
Auto Permits	1,200.00	1,271.00	1,300.00
Town Hall & Other Town Bldgs.	300.00	336.10	500.00
Employees' Retirement & Social Security	700.00	788.91	900.00
Dog Permits	100.00	50.20	100.00
Protection of Persons & Property:			
For Fire Truck	0	0	5,000.00
Police Department	3,700.00	4,825.74	5,000.00
Fire Department	3,000.00	2,593.28	4,000.00
From Special Fire Account	0	935.40	0
Insurance	800.00	0	1,500.00
Planning & Zoning, Including Strafford Regional	100.00	218.55	1,265.00
Bow Lake Fire Department	800.00	800.00	800.00
Civil Defense	300.00	0	0
Health Department:			
Ambulance Service	1,700.00	1,700.00	1,700.00
Vital Statistics	25.00	25.00	25.00
Rural Dist. Health Council	1,062.00	1,062.00	1,062.00
Town Dump & Garbage Removal	3,200.00	3,276.21	7,000.00
Highways & Bridges:			
Class V Maintenance	509.00	509.90	442.79
Town Maintenance — Summer & Winter	30,000.00	29,858.00	30,000.00
Street Lighting	800.00	798.23	900.00
General Expenses of Highway Department	6,000.00	7,886.49	7,000.00
Town Road Aid	1,050.34	1,050.34	1,042.49
Libraries:	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,500.00
Public Welfare:			
Town Poor	1,000.00	658.53	1,500.00
Old Age Assistance	3,000.00	845.50	3,000.00
Patriotic Purposes (Memorial Day, etc.)			
	150.00	125.00	250.00
Recreation:			
Bow Lake Beach	200.00	33.00	1,300.00
White Pine Blister Rust Control	0	0	200.00
Advertising & Regional Asso's	0	0	125.00
Capital Outlay:			
Revenue Sharing Funds Transferred to Strafford School District for Construction of Addition	10,000.00	10,000.00	0

APPROPRIATIONS (cont.)

	Appropriations Previous Year 1974	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1974	Estimated Appropriations Ensuing Year 1975
Capital Outlay (cont.):			
Town Map	2,000.00	0	5,000.00
Fencing & Dock at Bow Lake Beach Area	0	0	2,000.00
Revenue Sharing Receipts Deposited in Savings Bank	0	7,663.00	0
County Tax:	35,000.00	33,422.68	35,000.00
Strafford School District:	234,812.44	196,296.46	<u>241,339.83</u>
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS			<u>\$370,452.11</u>

**STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS
AND TAXES ASSESSED**

Total Town Appropriations	\$ 80,985.40
Less Estimated Revenues and Credits:	
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 5,555.00
Savings Bank Tax	980.00
Meals and Room Tax	5,300.00
Revenue from Yield Tax Sources	1,918.00
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	2,200.00
Business Licenses, Permits, and Filing Fees	200.00
Dog Licenses	648.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	16,000.00
Nat'l. Bank Stock Taxes	174.00
Resident Taxes Retained	5,950.00
Surplus from Bal. Sheet	10,000.00
Revenue Sharing; Contra	10,000.00
Highway Subsidy	<u>14,147.00</u>
Total Revenues & Credits	\$ 73,072.00
Net Town Appropriations	7,913.40
Net School Appropriations	212,799.01
County Tax Assessment	<u>33,422.68</u>
Total Town, School and County	\$254,135.09
Deduct Reimb. a/c Property Exempted by-1970 Special Session	- 1,850.00
Add: War Service Tax Credits	5,300.00
Add: Overlay	<u>3,791.22</u>
Property Taxes to be Raised	\$261,376.31

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Land, Improved and Unimproved		\$2,308,600.00
Buildings		5,472,754.00
Public Service Co. of N. H.		839,300.00
10 Travel Trailers, Taxed as Personal Property		8,800.00
61 Boats		<u>34,850.00</u>
Total Valuation Before Exemptions		\$8,664,304.00
Blind Exemptions (2)	\$ 10,000.00	
Elderly Exemptios (29)	65,250.00	
School Dining Room Dormitory and Kitchen		
Exemptions	150,000.00	<u>225,250.00</u>
Net Valuation on Which Tax is Computed		\$8,439,054.00

WAR SERVICE TAX CREDITS

Totally Disabled (1)	\$	400.00
All Other Qualified Persons (98)		<u>4,900.00</u>
	\$	5,300.00

TAX RATE APPROVED¹ BY DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION

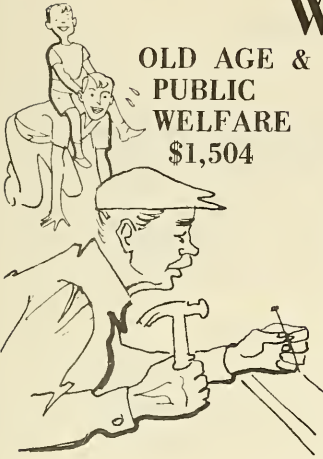
Unit of Government	Rate Per Hundred
Town	.20
County	.39
School	<u>2.51</u>
Combined Rate	3.10

PROPERTY TAXES COMMITTED TO TAX COLLECTOR

Gross Property Tax		\$ 261,376.31
Less War Service Credit		<u>5,300.00</u>
Total Tax Commitment		\$ 256,076.31

Where Strafford's Tax Dollars

Went in 1974



**OLD AGE &
PUBLIC
WELFARE**
\$1,504



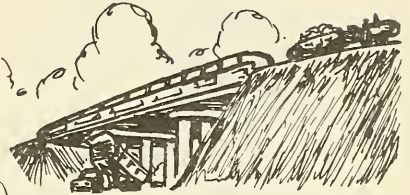
SCHOOLS
\$196,296



POLICE
\$3,725



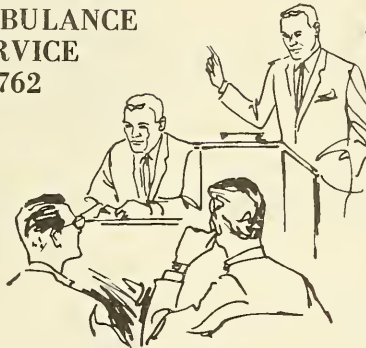
**HEALTH &
AMBULANCE
SERVICE**
\$2,762



HIGHWAYS
\$24,500



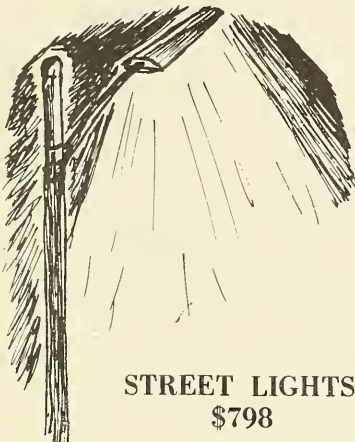
LIBRARY \$2,000



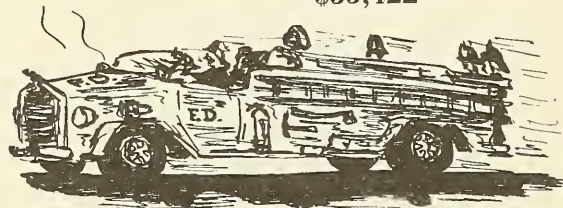
TOWN CHARGES
\$19,103



COUNTY TAX
\$33,422



STREET LIGHTS
\$798



FIRE DEPARTMENT
\$4,328

FINANCIAL REPORT
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1974

Certificate

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

ALBERT W. LEIGHTON
 Selectman

Assets

Cash:

In hands of Treasurer \$ 20,499.59

Capital Reserve Funds:

Special Fire and Highway \$ 4,570.63

Town Map 2,153.84

U. S. Treasury Notes; Use of
 Use of Idle Funds 96,770.80

Revenue Sharing Account
 Bank Book No. 97-781 1,483.11

Total 104,978.38

Accounts Due to the Town from State:

1974 T.R.A. Account 2,791.18

Unredeemed Taxes:

Levy of 1973 \$ 1,672.75

Levy of 1972 606.83

Previous Years 575.84

Total 2,855.42

Uncollected Taxes:

Levy of 1974,
 Including Resident Taxes \$ 26,445.43

Levy of 1973 37.50

Levy of 1972 117.46

Total 26,600.34

Grand Total \$157,724.91

Current Surplus, Dec. 31, 1973 \$ 25,230.88

Current Surplus, Dec. 31, 1974 \$ 21,009.26

Decrease of Surplus –
 Change in Financial Condition \$ 4,221.62

Liabilities

Accounts Owed by the Town:

Appropriation for Water St.	\$ 1,500.00
Appropriation for Wall or Dock	1,264.64
Appropriation for Town Map	4,153.84
Unexpended Revenue Sharing Funds	1,483.11
School District(s) Tax(es) Payable	<u>118,799.01</u>

Total \$127,200.60

State and Town Joint Highway

Construction Accounts:

T.R.A. 1974 Account 2,791.18

Capital Reserve Funds:

6,724.47

Total Liabilities \$136,715.65

**Current Surplus (Excess of assets
over liabilities)**

21,009.26

Grand Total

\$157,724.91

UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:

Property Taxes — Current Year — 1974	\$228,157.58
Resident Taxes — Current Year — 1974	4,410.00
Nat'l. Bank Stock Taxes — Current Year — 1974	178.25
Yield Taxes — Current Year — 1974	<u>1,694.14</u>

Total Current Year's Taxes Collected & Remitted	\$234,439.97
Property Taxes & Yield Taxes — Previous Years	7,393.49
Resident Taxes — Previous Years	1,990.00
Poll Taxes — State Head Taxes — Previous Years	1,345.16
Interest Received on Delinquent Taxes	215.78
Penalties: Resident Taxes — State Head Taxes	177.00
Tax sales redeemed	5,993.98

From State:

For Highways and Bridges:	
For Class V Highway maintenance	509.90
Highway Subsidy	14,147.22
Interest & dividends tax	5,555.24
Railroad tax	980.97
Fighting forest fires	41.76
Meals and Rooms Tax	6,098.60
Reimb. a-c Business Profits Tax	1,851.16

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog Licenses	698.00
Business licenses, permits and filing fees	249.00
Motor vehicle permits	
1973 — \$	188.91
1974 — \$	16,919.26
1975 — \$	346.39
	<u>17,454.56</u>

Total Current Revenue Receipts

\$299,141.79

Receipts Other than Current Revenue:

Proceeds of U. S. Treasury Notes	\$ 70,000.00
Refunds	694.00
Gifts	21.47
Sale of town property	300.00
Taxes bought by town	6,353.55
Grants from U. S. A.	
Revenue Sharing	7,663.00
Law Enforcement Assistance Act (Governor's Commission on Crime and Delinquency)	1,151.00
From Revenue Sharing Bank Account to General Fund	10,000.00
Sale of Strafford History Books	<u>35.50</u>

Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue

\$ 97,153.92

Total Receipts from All Sources

\$396,295.71

Cash on hand January 1, 1974

45,393.09

Grand Total

\$441,688.80

UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

Town Officers' salaries	\$ 4,699.80
Town officers' expenses	2,594.14
Election and registration expenses	831.00
Auto permits	1,271.00
Expenses town hall & other town bldgs.	336.10
Purchase of U. S. Treasury Notes	96,770.80

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police department	4,825.74
Beach approp.	33.00
Fire department, including forest fires	2,593.28
Special fire approp.	935.40
Planning & zoning	218.55
Dog permits	50.20
Bow Lake Fire Dept.	800.00

Health:

Rural District Health Council	1,062.00
Health dept., ambulance Ctr. Barnstead	1,700.00
Vital statistics	25.00
Town dumps and garbage removal	3,276.21

Highways and Bridges:

Town Road Aid	1,050.34
Town maintenance	
Summer — \$21,609.00	
Winter — \$ 8,249.00	29,858.00
Street lighting	798.23
General expenses of Highway Dept.	7,886.49

Libraries:

2,000.00

Public Welfare:

Old age assistance	845.50
Town poor	658.53

Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day, Veteran's Assoc's and Old Home Day	125.00
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\$165,244.31

Unclassified:

Taxes bought by town	\$ 6,353.55
Discounts, abatements and refunds	1,356.16
Employees' Retirement & Soc. Sec.	788.91

Total Current Maintenance Expenses

\$ 8,498.62

Capital Outlay:

Revenue Sharing Funds Deposited in Bank	\$ 7,663.00
Revenue Sharing Account to School for Construction	10,000.00

Total Outlay Payments

\$ 17,663.00

UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION

PAYMENTS (cont.)

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:		
Payments to State a-c 2% Bond & Debt		
Retirement Taxes	\$	64.14
Taxes paid to County		33,422.68
Payments to School Districts		
1973 — \$ 94,000.00		
1974 — \$102,296.46		196,296.46
Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions		<u>\$229,783.28</u>
Total Payments for All Purposes		\$421,189.21
Cash on hand December 31, 1974		20,499.59
Grand Total		<u><u>\$441,688.80</u></u>

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

As of December 31, 1974

Description	Value
Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$ 10,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	1,200.00
Libraries, Furniture and Equipment	1,000.00
Police Department, Equipment	2,000.00
Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	9,000.00
Equipment	4,000.00
Highway Department, Equipment	1,500.00
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	7,500.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	250,000.00
Equipment	20,000.00
All Lands and Buildings acquired through Tax Collector's deeds	
3 Acres — Town Dump	200.00
½ Acre — E. Dudley Lot	100.00
Total	<u><u>\$306,500.00</u></u>

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers' Salaries

Alan L. Knight, Selectman	\$ 133.32
Lester E. Huckins, Selectman	999.96
Wesley W. Wheeler, Selectman	666.66
Albert W. Leighton, Selectman	799.92
Phyllis F. Lynbourg, Treasurer & Clerk	1,000.00
Beatrice Varney, Tax Collector	900.00
Oscar Pratt, Trustee of Trust Funds	100.00
Donald Poppema, Auditor	50.00
Roger Leighton, Auditor	50.00
	\$ 4,699.80

Total

Town Office Expense

Multigraphics	\$ 15.12
N. H. Assessors Assoc.	20.00
Donations to Churches & Flowers	32.00
Ridings Press (Town Reports) \$830.00	932.85
Days Rubber Stamp	3.00
Brown & Saltmarsh	272.58
Wheeler & Clark	34.03
Fosters Daily Democrat	109.50
N. H. Municipal Assoc.	111.00
William Lynbourg – Postage	375.67
Marjorie Holmes	95.00
N. H. Tax Collectors Assoc.	10.00
Edward Quimby Inc.	75.00
Foss & Came – Town Officers' Bonds	246.00
N. H. Town Clerks Assoc.	10.00
Cooper, Hall & Walker (2 deeds)	40.00
Kendall Insurance Co.	83.00
State of N. H. (boat tax reports)	20.40
Albert W. Leighton -- mileage	25.00
Wesley W. Wheeler – mileage	17.00
Lester E. Huckins – mileage and reimb.	32.09
Phyllis F. Lynbourg	32.50
George Thorne (box rent)	2.40
	\$ 2,594.14

Total

Election and Registration

Fifield Printing	\$	30.00
Myrtle Hammer, Supervisor		166.00
Freda Harding, Supervisor		166.00
Dorothy Chandler, Supervisor		167.00
Justine Leighton, Ballot Clerk		64.00
Hattie Foss, Ballot Clerk		62.00
Joan Bisson, Ballot Clerk		59.00
Arthur Harding, Ballot Clerk		27.00
Russell Shilliber, Moderator		90.00
Total	\$	831.00

Other Payments

Phyllis F. Lynbourg, Auto Permits	\$	1,271.00
Town Office Telephone		336.10
Police	\$4,825.74	
Less Strafford Dispatch Center	-1,008.00	
Less Crime Commission Funds (radio)	<u>-1,171.00</u>	2,179.00
Police Officers' Time and Mileage		2,646.74
Fire (including forest fires)		2,593.28
Planning and Zoning		218.55
From Capital Reserve Fund for Fire Equipment		935.40
Bow Lake Beach (rubbish removal)		33.00
Ctr. Barnstead Ambulance Service		1,700.00
Town Dump		3,276.21
Highways — Summer		21,609.00
Winter		8,249.00
General		7,886.49
T. R. A.		1,050.34
Street Lights		798.23
Libraries		2,000.00
Old Age Assistance		845.50
Town Poor		658.53
Rural District Health Council		1,062.00
Memorial Day		125.00
Bow Lake Fire Appropriation		800.00
Expense of Dog Permits		50.20
Taxes Bought by Town		6,353.55

Other Payments (cont.)

Discounts and Abatements	\$ 1,356.16
Social Security	788.91
Treasury Note Purchased with Idle Funds	96,770.80
County Tax	33,422.68
Strafford School District	196,296.46
Payment of Revenue Sharing Money from Gen. Fund to Bank Book No. 27-781	7,663.00
Bond and Debt Retirement Tax	64.14
Payment of Revenue Sharing Money to Strafford School District for Construction	10,000.00
Vital Statistics	<u>25.00</u>
Total	\$413,064.27

Highway Account

Total Payments	\$ 37,744.49
Less Class V Maintenance	<u>509.90</u>
	\$ 37,234.59
1974 Highway Appropriation	<u>36,000.00</u>
Overexpended	\$ 1,234.59

State Highway Subsidy

1974 Highway Expenditures	\$ 37,234.59
Received Highway Subsidy Grant	<u>14,147.22</u>
Highway Money Raised by Property Tax	\$ 23,087.37

1973 - 1974 School Account

School Appropriation	\$212,799.01
Payments to December 31, 1974	<u>94,000.00</u>
Balance Due School District	\$118,799.01

Special Highway and Fire Equipment Account

Balance January 1, 1974	\$ 5,220.67
1974 Interest Added	<u>285.36</u>
	\$ 5,506.03
Withdrawn for Fire Fighting Equipment	<u>— 935.40</u>
Balance December 31, 1974	\$ 4,570.63

Revenue Sharing Funds

Balance December 31, 1973	\$ 3,595.12
4 Payments from U. S. Government	7,663.00
Interest Added 1974	<u>224.99</u>
	\$ 11,483.11
Withdrawn per Vote of 1974 Town Meeting; Paid to School for Construction	<u>10,000.00</u>
Balance December 31, 1974	\$ 1,483.11

Town Dump

1974 Appropriation		\$ 3,200.00
William Nelson, caretaker	\$2,264.20	
Robert Omand	40.03	
Gerald Thorne	338.00	
Loren Pierce, fire at dump	21.41	
Albert Leighton, padlock	4.57	
Scribner Sand & Gravel	336.00	
Radford Messenger	<u>272.00</u>	
Total	\$3,276.21	
Overexpended		\$ 76.21

**STRAFFORD T.R.A.
1974-1975**

Money Available

Carried forward from last year	\$ 1,971.31
1974-75 appropriation – Town	1,050.34
1974-75 appropriation – State	<u>6,989.35</u>
Total	\$10,011.00

Money Spent

Payroll – Equipment – W/E 4-20-74	\$ 158.90
Payroll – Equipment – W/E 4-27-74	196.00
Radford Messenger – gravel	169.20
Payroll – Time and Expense – W/E 7-6-74	41.70
Payroll – Equipment – W/E 7-6-74	805.40
Payroll – Time and Expense – W/E 7-13-74	242.25
Payroll – Equipment – W/E 7-13-74	2,006.90
Payroll – Time and Expense – W/E 7-20-74	22.08
Payroll – Equipment – W/E 7-20-74	171.20
Trimount – asphalt	2,865.83
Payroll – Time and Expense – W/E 8-17-74	99.66
Payroll – Equipment – W/E 8-17-74	<u>440.70</u>
Total	\$ 7,219.82

Balance in account \$2,791.18

e.e. LESTER HUCKINS, Ch.
RADFORD MESSENGER

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT
For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1974

Receipts

Balance, January 1, 1974	\$ 45,393.09	
Receipts, 1974	<u>396,295.71</u>	
		\$441,688.80

Expenditures

Expenditures, 1974	\$421,189.21	
Balance, December 31, 1974	<u>20,499.59</u>	
		\$441,688.80

Rochester Savings Bank and Trust Co.

Bank Book No. 72650 \$ 1.00

Bank Book No. N595 (Capital Reserve Fund)

Balance, January 1, 1974	\$ 5,220.67	
Interest, 1974	+ 285.36	
Withdrawal	- <u>935.40</u>	

Balance \$ 4,570.63

Bank Book No. N596 (Class II Hghwy. Acct.)

Balance, January 1, 1974	\$ 2,153.84	
Interest, 1974	<u>117.72</u>	

Balance \$ 2,271.56

Bank Book No. 97-781 (Rev. Sharing Acct.)

Balance, January 1, 1974	\$ 3,595.12	
Deposited, 1974	+ 7,663.00	
Interest, 1974	+ 224.99	
Withdrawal, 1974	<u>- 10,000.00</u>	

Balance \$ 1,483.11

U. S. Treasury Notes

90 day Treas. Bills	\$ 29,433.40
180 day Treas. Bills	\$ 67,337.40

PHYLLIS F. LYNBOURG
Town Treasurer

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1974

Receipts:

1973 Auto Permits		
36 Permits Issued	\$	188.91
1974 Auto Permits		
1205 Permits Issued		16,919.26
1975 Auto Permits		
28 Permits Issued		<u>346.39</u>
Total Auto Permits		\$17,454.56
Dog and Kennel Licenses		698.00
Filing Fees		<u>18.00</u>
		\$18,170.56

Remittances to Town Treasurer:

Auto Permits		\$17,454.56
Dog and Kennel Licenses		698.00
Filing Fees		<u>18.00</u>
		\$18,170.56

PHYLLIS F. LYNBURG
Town Clerk

TOWN MEETING – MARCH 5, 1974

At a legal Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Strafford in the County of Strafford in said State, the following action was taken on the Town Warrant on Tuesday, the 5th day of March 1974.

The meeting at the Strafford Elementary School in Strafford was called to order by the Moderator, C. Russell Shillaber, at 10:00 a.m. The Polls were declared open for voting on Article 1, 2 and 17 from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All other Articles to be voted at 8:00 p.m.

ARTICLE 1. The following officers were declared elected by the Moderator.

Number of eligible voters on checklist:		636
Number of votes cast:		366
Selectman for 3 years	Wesley W. Wheeler	177 votes
Town Clerk for 3 years	Phyllis F. Lynbourg	355 votes
Town Treasurer for 3 years	Phyllis F. Lynbourg	351 votes
Tax Collector for 3 years	Beatrice S. Varney	110 votes
Auditor for 2 years (write in)	Loren W. Pierce	29 votes
Trustee of Trust Funds for 3 years	Albert H. Brown	303 votes
Library Trustee for 3 years	Irma Messenger	330 votes
Road Agent for 1 year	Radford L. Messenger	194 votes

The following candidates were not elected:

Selectman for 3 years	Alan Corindia	143 votes
Tax Collector for 3 years	Joan S. Bisson	92 votes
	Robert L. Evans	89 votes
	Helen A. Sims	56 votes
Road Agent for 1 year	Herbert H. Scribner	166 votes

ARTICLE 2. For Delegates to the Constitutional Convention:

Ernest B. Brown, Strafford	had	254 votes
Ethel M. Canney, Farmington	had	39 votes
Linda L. Connelly, Strafford	had	165 votes
Sumner W. Evans, Farmington	had	17 votes
Albert W. Leighton, Strafford	had	268 votes
J. Walter Lougee, Farmington	had	12 votes
Wilfred B. Osgood, Farmington	had	13 votes
James H. Parshley, New Durham	had	40 votes
Estelle G. Place, Farmington	had	16 votes
David N. Sandberg, Strafford	had	179 votes

All Articles appearing on the warrant were considered by the Moderator to be proper before the meeting without motion or seconded thereto, except where otherwise specifically proceeded.

ARTICLE 3. Motion to raise and appropriate the sum of \$52,525.00 to defray Town charges for the ensuing year. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

Motion by Stephen Leighton (under Article 26, other business) to reconsider Article 3. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

Motion to raise \$1,000.00 to pay to the Strafford County Sheriff's Department for the Strafford County Dispatch Center. Seconded.

Amendment — Motion to increase the \$52,525.00 to \$53,525.00 with the additional \$1,000.00 to increase the Police Department budget by \$1,000.00. Seconded. Amendment and motion carried in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 4. Motion that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 for Public Welfare including Old Age Assistance. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 5. Motion that the Town accept Town Road Aid and raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,048.40 to which the State will contribute \$6,989.35. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 6. Motion that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$36,000.00 for Highways and Bridges. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 7. Motion that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 for maintenance of the Bow Lake Fire Department. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 8. Motion that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for observance of Memorial Day. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 9. Motion that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$333.73 for the Lakes Region Association. Seconded. Vote in the negative.

ARTICLE 10. Motion that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,062.00 in support of the Rural District Health Council. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 11. Motion that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,200.00 for the control and operation of the Town Dump. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 12. Motion that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,700.00 as a donation to the Center Barnstead Fire Department for providing Ambulance Service to the Town of Strafford. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 13. Motion that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for the use in making the Town Map. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 14. Motion that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for Civil Defense. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 15. Motion that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for maintaining Bow Lake Beach at the Dam. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 16. Motion that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for the Library to be expended by the Library Trustees for current operation. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 17. Vote on the Amendments to the Zoning and Land Use Ordinance.

Amendment No. 1: "To Establish Article 15 as follows: To limit subdivision approval to five (5) units or lots, or less, for each subdivider, for a period of one year, commencing upon adoption of this Article at the Town Meeting on March 5, 1974."

Yes — 129 No — 117

Amendment No. 2: "To Amend Article 4, Section A, Sub-Section 4, by striking out said section and inserting in place thereof the following: Minimum Land Area — A lot shall contain not less than 1.5 acres (65,340 sq. ft.) with an additional 20,000 square feet for each additional family unit under a common roof, except as set forth in Section 4-a and 4-b of this Sub-Section."

Yes — 128 No — 121

Amendment No. 3: "To Amend Article 6 by inserting after Section 6-2 the following new section: 6-3; No person shall bring into the Town of Strafford, or cause to be brought into said Town, a mobile home that is more than four (4) years old from the year of manufacture or contains less than five hundred (500) square feet."

Yes — 181 No — 71

ARTICLE 18. Motion that the Town appropriate, and transfer to the Strafford School District \$10,000.00 to apply toward construction of an addition to the Strafford School. From Revenue Sharing Fund established under provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 19. Motion that the Town authorize the Selectmen to apply for, contract for, and accept aid, from the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration, should any area of Strafford be declared a Disaster Area. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 20 Motion that the Town accept 1200 feet of the Whig Hill Road starting at the stone posts (the present end of Town Road) to Aspen Drive. This road was constructed to Town Road Specifications in 1973. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 21. Motion that the Town close, subject to gates and bars, No. 1 the John Isaac Berry Road so-called between the Second Crown Point Road and First Crown Point Road. No. 2 the New Road so-called starting 100 feet past the house now owned by Roger LaPanne to the Barrington Town Line. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 22. Motion that the Town re-open the first 1,000 feet of Pleasant Valley Road (A.K.A. Pig Lane). This portion of the road beginning on Route 126, has been recently widened and graveled. Seconded.

Amendment by Mark Thompson — The Town vote to re-open the first 1,000 feet of Pleasant Valley Road (A.K.A. Pig Lane) provided it is brought up to the Town specifications. Motion by R. Colbath to table Article 22. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 23. Motion that the Town adopt 586:1,2,3 and RSA 253:17,18 by designating the roads listed in warrant as Scenic Roads within the Township of Strafford, N. H. Seconded.

Amendment Robert Perry — to delete R.S.A. 586:1,2,3. Motion by William Cahill to table Article 23. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative. Calvin Schroder — hand vote Yes — 95 No — 39 Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 24. Motion that the Town grant 2% discount on Taxes paid within thirty-five days of mailing of tax bill. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 25. Motion that the Town authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 26. Motion by Carolyn Clarke to direct the Selectmen to appoint a Building Inspector. Seconded. Amendment by Calvin Schroder — to make mandatory within 30 days. Seconded. Vote in the negative.

Motion to direct the Selectmen to appoint a Building Inspector. Voted in the affirmative.

Motion by John O'Brien future sub-divisions to be taxed as lots and not as raw land. Motion to table. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

Howard Ambrose moved the Selectmen be directed to post roads that are closed subject to gates and bars. Seconded. Amendment — the seller of any real property located on roads closed subject to gates and bars be directed to notify the purchaser of such fact. Motion by Donald Black to table. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

Robert Perry moved that a committee of five be appointed by the Conservation Commission to work with the selectmen of the town as to the feasibility of designating certain roads within the town as Scenic Roads according to RSA 253:17,18. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

Bonnie Inglis moved the Town be directed to purchase a public address system for the auditorium. Motion withdrawn. George Holt offered to donate a portable public address system for the next town meeting.

Donald Poppema moved a committee of 5-7 persons be appointed by the moderator to study the effects of present or possible future development in the Town and this committee make recommendations to and work with the Planning Board and Conservation Commission. Amendment — submit a report at the next Town Meeting. Seconded. Amendment and motion voted in the affirmative.

Motion to adjourn. Seconded. Vote in the affirmative.

A True Record, Attest

PHYLLIS F. LYNBOURG
Town Clerk

A True Copy of Record, Attest:

PHYLLIS F. LYNBOURG
Town Clerk

(For Current Year's Levy)
SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
 Property, Resident and Yield Taxes
 Levy of 1974

DR.

Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Property Taxes	\$256,085.52	
Resident Taxes	5,950.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	178.25	
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Total Warrants		\$262,213.77
Yield Taxes		2,302.30
Added Taxes:		
Property Taxes	\$ 262.80	
Resident Taxes	410.00	
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		672.80
Overpayments During Year:		
a/c Property Taxes	\$ 6.02	
a/c Resident Taxes	000	
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		6.02
Interest Collected on Delinquent Property Taxes		19.70
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes		31.00
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Total Debits		\$265,245.59

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:		
Property Taxes	\$228,157.58	
Resident Taxes	4,410.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	178.25	
Yield Taxes	1,694.14	
Interest Collected	19.70	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	31.00	
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		\$234,490.67
Discounts Allowed		3,713.58
Abatements Made During Year:		
Property Taxes	595.91	
Resident Taxes	000	
Yield Taxes	000	
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		595.91
Uncollected Taxes — December 31, 1974: (As Per Collector's List)		
Property Taxes	\$ 23,887.27	
Resident Taxes	1,950.00	
Yield Taxes	608.16	
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		26,445.43
Total Credits		<u>\$265,245.59</u>

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
Property, Resident and Yield Taxes
Levy of 1973

DR.

Uncollected Taxes — As of January 1, 1974:		
Property Taxes	\$ 13,507.74	
Resident Taxes	<u>1,550.00</u>	\$ 15,057.74
Added Taxes:		
Property Taxes	\$ 000	
Resident Taxes	<u>1,150.00</u>	1,150.00
Overpayments:		
a/c Property Taxes	\$ 1.36	
a/c Resident Taxes	<u>000</u>	1.36
Interest Collected on Delinquent Property Taxes		
(from town sale)	\$ 300.55	
.....	163.72	
..... (costs)	109.15	
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes		<u>177.00</u>
		750.42
Total Debits		<u>\$ 16,959.52</u>

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1974:		
Sale to town including interest	\$ 6,353.55	
Property Taxes	7,394.85	
Resident Taxes	1,990.00	
Yield Taxes	000	
Interest Collected During Year	272.87	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	<u>177.00</u>	\$ 16,188.27
Abatements Made During Year:		
Property Taxes	\$ 23.75	
Resident Taxes	710.00	
Yield Taxes	<u>000</u>	733.75
Uncollected Taxes — December 31, 1974: (As Per Collector's List)		
Property Taxes	\$ 37.50	
Resident Taxes	<u>000</u>	\$ 37.50
		<u>\$ 16,959.52</u>

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
Property, Resident and Yield Taxes
Levy of 1972

DR.

Uncollected Taxes — As of January 1, 1974:		
Property Taxes	\$ 117.46	
Resident Taxes	000	
Yield Taxes	000	
		\$ 117.46
Added Taxes:		
Property Taxes	\$ 000	
Resident Taxes	000	
		\$ 000
Overpayments:		
a/c Property Taxes	\$ 000	
a/c Resident Taxes	000	
		000
Interest Collected on Delinquent Property Taxes		
Taxes	\$ 000	
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes		
		000
		<u>000</u>
Total Debits		\$ 117.46

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1974:		
Property Taxes	\$ 000	
Resident Taxes	000	
Yield Taxes	000	
Interest Collected During Year	000	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	000	
		\$ 000
Abatements Made During Year:		
Property Taxes	\$ 000	
Resident Taxes	000	
Yield Taxes	000	
		000
Uncollected Taxes — December 31, 1974: (As Per Collector's List)		
Property Taxes	\$ 117.46	
Resident Taxes	000	
		117.46
Total Credits		<u>\$ 117.46</u>

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNT
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1974

	Tax Sale on Account of Levies of			
	1973	1972	1971	Previous Yrs.
DR.				
(a) Balance of Unredeemed Taxes of January 1, 1974	\$	994.63	\$ 827.73	\$ 331.02
(b) Taxes Sold to Town During Current Fiscal Year	6,353.55			
Interest Collected After Sale	130.07	42.34	70.16	
Redemption Costs	9.40			
Total Debits	\$ 6,493.02	\$ 1,036.97	\$ 897.89	\$ 331.02
CR.				
Remittances to Treasurer During Year				
Redemptions	\$ 4,665.30	\$ 387.80	\$ 507.91	\$ 75.00
Interest and Costs After Sale	139.47	42.34	70.16	
Abatements During Year	15.50			
Deeded to Town During Year				
Unredeemed Taxes December 31, 1974	1,672.75	606.83	319.82	256.02
Total Credits	\$ 6,493.02	\$ 1,036.97	\$ 897.89	\$ 331.02

**A LIST OF CEMETERIES KNOWN
IN THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD
As of January 1, 1975**

As Compiled by Albert W. Brown

The Locations of Cemeteries is as known by the Author.

Anyone that knows of any other cemeteries that have been overlooked, please let someone know their location.

* S - Soldier

P - Perpetual Care

The large Cemeteries have more than one P - S.

BOW LAKE

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|-----|--------|---|
| | No. 1 | Garland Cem., Garland-Trudanback |
| S | No. 2 | Leighton-Davis Cem., top of Boody Hill, left side |
| S | No. 3 | Boody Cem., top of Boody Hill, right side |
| S | No. 4 | Durgin Cem., Durgin Farm |
| S | No. 5 | Tuttle Cem., A. Tuttle Farm |
| S | No. 6 | Ja. Seward Cem., Seward's Farm |
| S | No. 7 | Seward Cem., Arthur Burgner Farm - Seward Farm |
| S | No. 8 | Caverno Cem., back of Whites Barn |
| | No. 9 | Whites Farm, south west corner of White Farm |
| | No. 10 | John Swain Grave, west of Roderick Farm |
| | No. 11 | Caverno Place Cem., back of the barn cellar, Hill place |
| | No. 12 | Lizzie Hall Cem., Steadman place |
| S | No. 13 | Critchett Cem., Luther Critchett Farm |
| S | No. 14 | Roberts Cem., Sawyer Farm |
| | No. 15 | Ezra Hall Cem., Beal Farm |
| S | No. 16 | Moses Caverly Cem., field opp. Strafford Arms |
| S | No. 17 | Roberts Cem., back of Chadbourn House |
| | No. 18 | Cemetery, back of Phil Steadman House |
| | No. 19 | Cemetery, opp. John Young House |
| | No. 20 | Cemeter, on Northwood line |
| | No. 21 | Old Tasker Cem., on Elisha Tasker Farm - Bunnell |
| | No. 22 | Tasker Cem., Cellar hole 4 graves Brown's pasture |
| S | No. 23 | Woodman Foss Cem., Hamilton's Farm |
| | No. 24 | Waldron Cem., back of Eta Waldron House |
| S | No. 25 | Cemetery, back of Charles Baker Camp on shore |
| S | No. 26 | Hall Cem., field back of J. Hall Farm, hill |
| S | No. 27 | Cemetery, Brew-Idlepines Farm, 4 families |
| S | No. 28 | Huckins Cem., Frank Huckins Farm |
| | No. 29 | Parshley Cem., Stiles Farm |
| S | No. 30 | Hall Cem., Maurice Caswell Field |
| S | No. 31 | Ruphus Hall etc., Anne Brown Farm |
| | No. 32 | Buzzell Cem., Trinity Camp, opp. ent. |
| S | No. 33 | Piper Cem., Lilla Piper Farm |
| S | No. 34 | Hanscom Cem., Sarah Evans Farm Camp JOALCO |
| S-P | No. 35 | John Jenness Cem., C. Jenness Farm |
| | No. 36 | Leighton Cem., Old Leighton Rd. |
| S | No. 37 | Boody Cem., opp Hickory Hill Farm |

- No. 38 Buzzell Cem., Buzzell Run Farm
- No. 39 Whitcher Cem., Whitcher Farm
- No. 40 Hawkins Cem., Steeter Farm
- S No. 41 Old Leighton Cem., Hickory Hill Farm
- S No. 42 Waldron Cem., Old Waldron Rd.
- S No. 43 Tom Caswell Cem., Tom Caswell Rd.
- No. 44 Charles Daniels, R. Leighton Farm
- No. 45 T. Caverly Cem., George Johnson Farm
- No. 46 A. Caverly Cem., G. Leighton Farm, Caanon Rd.
- No. 47 Hill Cem., Caanon Rd., Barrington Line
- No. 48 Libby Cem., (two graves) Thomas Caverly Farm, Brown
- No. 49 Dames Cem., Dame & Albert Brown
- S-P No. 50 Jenness Cem., George Caverly
- S No. 51 Caverly Cem., S. Caverly Farm
- No. 52 Brown Cem., Lester Shear Farm
- No. 53 Tuttle Cem., Tuttle & Edmunds
- S No. 54 Tuttle Cem., LaPanne Farm
- No. 55 Old Hanson Cem., LaPanne Farm
- S No. 56 Clark Cem., Richard Nelson Field
- S No. 57 Hawkins Cem., Richard Nelson Field
- No. 58 Western Hill Cem., Lilian Merrill
- No. 59 Bunker Cem., Old Bunker Rd., Nelson Field
- S No. 60 N. Foss Cem., Swain, Pig Lane
- S No. 61 Foss Cem., T. Clark Farm, Pig Lane
- S-P No. 62 Large Caverly Cem.
- No. 63 Landel Tuttle Cem., Carl Brown Farm
- No. 64 Old Cem., Carl Brown Pasture
- No. 65 John Clark Cem., Roller Coaster Rd.
- S No. 66 Selias Tuttle Cem., Leavitt Farm
- S No. 67 Old Brown Cem., Louis Hanson Farm
- No. 68 Mary Wain Cem., Albert Leighton Farm

CENTER STRAFFORD

- S No. 69 Johnathan Clark, graves near Mohawk River, Rt. 126
- S No. 70 Peavey Cem., P. Johnson Farm, Sodom Rd., Smith
- S No. 71 Old Brown Cem., Johnson Rd., Sally Johnson Farm
- S No. 72 Johnson Cem.
- S No. 73 Brown-Twombly Cem., Pig Farm
- S No. 74 Parshley Cem., Henry Parshley Farm
- S No. 75 Edrick Foss Cem., Edrick Foss Farm
- No. 76 Caverly Cem., Howard Ambrose House (Wentworth)
- No. 77 Stiles Cem., James Stiles Farm
- No. 78 Montgomery Cem., Mabel Dame House
- S-P No. 79 Center Strafford Cem., (large)
- S No. 80 Montgomery Cem., Louis Brown Farm
- S No. 81 Foss-Hayes Cem., Edna Hayes Farm
- No. 82 Cemetery, Guy Huckins Farm, now George Thorne
- S No. 83 Old Foss Cem., Wesley Pierce Farm
- No. 84 Foss Cem., Penny Farm
- S No. 85 Huckins Cem., Lester Huckins Farm
- No. 86 Ephraim Foss Cem., back of Hilton Cellar hole
- S No. 87 Foss-Berry Cem., Herbut Foss Farm, now Town Forest
- S-P No. 88 Aaron Foss Cem., A. Berry Farm
- No. 89 Hogden Cem., James Foss
- No. 90 Foss Cem., Opp. Harley Brown's

ABOVE THE HILLS

- No. 91 Brewster Cem., near Berry (hill Town Forest)
- S No. 92 Perkins Cem., Perkins Farm (near Xavier Camp)
- S No. 93 Hanson Cem., William Foss Farm
- No. 94 Foss Cem., Foss-Hanson Farm
- No. 95 Willy Cem., Willy Pond Rd.
- S No. 96 Israel Hall Cem., near Herald Tasker
- S No. 97 Evans Cem., Evans & Storer Farm
- No. 98 Moore Cem., near Al Berry Farm
- S No. 99 Hanes Cem., Lovejoy Farm
- S No. 100 Perkins and Winkley Cem., Storer Farm
- S No. 101 Foye Cem., Ralph Foss Farm
- S No. 102 Howard Cem., foot of hill near bridge
- S—P No. 103 Babb Cem., opp Theopold (Last 6 Indians)
- S No. 104 Homes Cem.
- S No. 105 Homes Cem., back of Preston House
- S—P No. 106 Public Cem., Ellen Holmes (large)
- S No. 107 Drew Cem., Old Drew Farm
- S No. 108 Odest Cem., D. Odest Farm
- S No. 109 Reyneld Cem., opp the Vroman Land
- S No. 110 Israel Hall Cem., Hegety Farm
- S—P No. 111 Robert Foss Cem., Clow Farm
- No. 112 Tomb near Rewitzer
- No. 113 Hayes Cem., opp. Bertha Kenny House
- No. 114 Scott Cem., Scott Farm
- S No. 115 Grey Cem., on Barnstead Line
- S No. 116 McNeal Gorham Foss Farm
- P No. 117 Betsy Welch Cem., Old Farmington Rd.
- No. 118 Douglas Cem.
- S—P No. 119 Ham Cem., George Ham Farm

CROWN POINT

- No. 120 Scruton Cem., Scruton Farm
- No. 121 Yeaton Cem., Frank Yeaton
- S No. 122 Brock Cem., Carry Felker Farm
- S No. 123 Stanton Cem., Stanton Farm
- S No. 124 Old Methodist Church Cem.
- S No. 125 Foss Cem., opp. Methodist Cem.
- S No. 126 Crown Point Cem.
- S No. 127 Eta Cem., Harry Howard Farm
- S No. 128 Foss Cem., Hattie Foss Farm
- S No. 129 Berry Cem., Lund Farm
- S No. 130 Brewster Cem., Mousam Rd.
- No. 131 Jacob Foss Cem., Mousam Rd.
- S No. 132 T. Brock Cem., Lubel Berry
- No. 133 Babb Cem., Hasting Farm
- No. 134 Memorial Plot at Bow Lake Church (Soldiers World War II)

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION
FINANCIAL REPORT**

January 1 – December 31, 1974

Money Received:

Balance Dec. 31, 1973	\$ 101.83	
Sale of Timber	1,988.21	
Interest on Bank Account	<u>63.59</u>	
Total Receipts		\$2,153.63

Money Paid Out:

New England Woodland Tree Work	\$ 400.00	
N. H. A. C. C. State Dues	35.00	
Paint for Trail Markers	13.75	
Cooper, Hall and Walker	5.50	
New Checkbook	2.00	
For C. C. Magazine for Town Library	5.00	
Registrar of Deeds	5.00	
Refunded to Ivan Fogarty (logger) Because of Overpayment	<u>99.89</u>	
Total Expenditures		<u>\$ 566.14</u>

Balance December 31, 1974 \$1,587.49

Savings Bank Book Balance \$1,481.53

Checkbook Balance \$ 105.96

JO ANN BROWN
Secretary-Treasurer,
Strafford Conservation Commission

TOWN CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Strafford, New Hampshire

Mrs. Gail Barry and Mr. Spencer Smith were appointed by the selectmen to serve as members of the Commission.

The improvement-sanitation cutting of timber in the Town Forest has been completed. A self-guided trail system has been completed at the forest. A map and brochure are available to all wishing to use the trail system; these are available at both post offices and at the Hill Library. In addition to these activities, a field reclamation project has been started at the Town Forest property. We feel it is desirable to maintain the small amount of open space on this property and, also wish to preserve a field-type habitat for birds and small mammals. The work of clearing, mowing and brush chipping was done by Strafford volunteer citizens and by a Community Action Program group from Rockingham County.

In November the Commission visited and made a preliminary inventory of the resources of the McCabe Property as a first step toward development of a management plan for this parcel.

The Commission has made several investigations and recommendations concerning Dredge and Fill Permits.

A Scenic Roads Committee has been appointed by the Commission to work with the selectmen and report back to the Town Meeting. The formation of this committee was directed by vote of the last Town Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
GAIL BARRY
JOHN BOZAK, Chmn.
RICHARD NELSON
SPENCER SMITH
JoANN BROWN, Sec.-Treas.

LIBRARY REPORT

Library Hours – Hill Public Library

Wednesday 12:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Saturday 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

(Subject to Change)

Books Owned by Library January 1, 1974	3,312
Books Donated	69
Books Purchased	85
Books Discarded	235
Books Borrowed – Book Mobile – 2 Visits	658
Books Circulated 1974	5,312
4 Magazine Subscriptions (gifts)	4
Books Circulated Grades 1 - 2 - 3	975
Books Owned by Library January 1, 1975	3,231

ELEANOR T. SMITH
Librarian

REPORT OF LIBRARY TREASURER

Cash on hand January 1, 1974	\$ 643.84
Received:	
From Warren Foss Acct'.	\$ 400.00
Town Appropriation	2,000.00
Book Fines	37.58
Gifts	5.00
Lost Book	3.95
State Grant	100.00
Checkbook Credit	3.00
	<u>\$2,549.53</u>
	<u>\$3,193.37</u>
Expenditures:	
Librarian	\$1,008.00
Custodian	264.50
Electric Heat	258.20
Electric Utilities	119.99
Insurance	100.00
To Town Treasurer (Soc. Sec.)	319.60
Miscellaneous	13.28
Administrative Supplies	26.91
New Books	396.42
	<u>\$2,506.90</u>
On hand December 31, 1974	<u><u>\$ 686.47</u></u>
Warren D. Foss Fund:	
Balance January 1, 1974	\$2,978.54
Received (Interest)	147.33
	<u>\$3,125.87</u>
Expenditures:	
Withdrawal to General Library Acct.	400.00
Balance December 31, 1974	<u>\$2,725.87</u>

DAVIS CLARKE
Treasurer

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE HILL MEMORIAL STRAFFORD LIBRARY

The Trustees would like to express special recognition to our Retiring Librarian, Eleanor Smith, for her many years as a dedicated Librarian. Her interests and public relations exemplified under small and inconvenient facilities in Austin Hall, growth and public interest developed with our Librarian.

The need for more adequate space and the purchase of more books was realized. The Hill Memorial Library became a reality and was dedicated on July 15, 1973.

On January 26th, 1975 at the Hill Library, Eleanor realized that her many years as Librarian were appreciated and will be recorded in the hearts of the children and her many Library Friends.

The Trustees would like to thank the Association for their co-operation and help.

The Jane Huckins Fund Committee, for the excellent programs they have sponsored, have been an added feature to our Library Services.

We want to thank the Elementary School Principal, Mr. Boyle, and teachers of the Primary Grades for providing opportunity for the boys and girls to visit the Library once a week for books; to become acquainted with the Library and its opportunities; to develop a feeling that the Librarian and Books are their *Friends*.

If you have not had the opportunity to visit the Library and meet our present Librarian, Mrs. Sammis, we hope you will do so.

Interest is the key word for Library Growth.

The Trustees are grateful to persons for giving special adult books as a memorial; magazines and books for the Children's Corner.

If you have served as a volunteer in the many opportunities of Library Service, a special Thank You.

MARTHA BENNETT
DAVIS CLARK
IRMA MESSENGER
Trustees

STRAFFORD LIBRARY ASSOCIATION 1974

The Strafford Library Association is performing its function as a supporting force for the town library and also providing a series of worthwhile programs of great variety, free to the public, thru the courtesy of the Jane Huckins Memorial Fund. Providing the physical plant and caring for the building and the grounds is of major concern to SLA. This year SLA took over paying the insurance on the building and on the furnishings.

The J. H. Fund programs are reaching people of varied interests. Program titles have included Batteries, Far Eastern Countries lecture and slides, gun safety, a great variety of films, bicycle safety, old time film festival, Greenland Ice Cap talk and slides. A series of five two-hour art lessons concluded on February 4.

The Newsletter is a voice of SLA, the library and the J. H. Fund. It has been published twice a year in limited number. An interested person's name will be put on the mailing list, if requested. Please let us know.

The membership cooperates with the town-elected trustees, who are also members of SLA. Membership is open, and a welcome is extended to all who are desirous of joining. To meet its financial responsibilities, SLA raises funds thru activities and thru donations.

<u>SLA Finances</u>		<u>J. H. Fund*</u>	
Jan. 1, 1974 Balance	\$1,066.54	Jan. 1, 1974 Balance	\$ 496.02
Expenditures	534.66	Interest	187.73
Donations and		Donation	25.00
Earned Funds	322.31	Expenditures	110.00
Interest	40.88		
Dec. 31, 1974 Balance	\$ 895.07	Dec. 31, 1974 Balance	\$ 598.75

*A \$2400 certificate of deposit yields interest for the Jane Huckins Memorial Fund Committee to use.

BERNICE F. OMAND
Vice-president

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD ON DECEMBER 31, 1974

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	Principal				Income			Checking Acct.		
				Principal Beginning Year	Original Funds Created	Expended	Income	Principal Balance End Year	Checking Balance Beginning Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Checking Balance End Year	
1899	Lovina H. Young	Town Note	N. H. Savings Bank	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00		\$ 50.05	\$1,050.05					
1917	Mary J. Wan	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	468.38	400.00		23.43	491.81		33.62		10.00	23.62
6- 3-19	Boyd Welch	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	256.69	200.00		12.86	269.55		17.94			17.94
6- 3-21	Nancy Perkins	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	217.44	100.00		10.86	228.30					
10- 2-21	Beisy Hawkins	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	200.00		4.98	104.98					
1-13-21	Samuel Jenness	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	645.95	200.00		32.29	678.24		22.71			22.71
12-26-58	Abbie Seavey	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	100.00		4.98	104.98					
11- 7-22	Paul Hayes	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	74.08	50.00		3.69	77.77		9.88			9.88
6- 6-25	John Babb	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	127.69	100.00		6.36	134.05		17.68			17.68
6- 6-25	Eliza Waterhouse	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	200.00	200.00		10.00	210.00					
6- 2-26	Eliza Garfield	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	242.66	150.00		12.11	254.77		11.60			11.60
6- 2-26	D. W. Smith	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	100.00		4.98	104.98					
4- 2-27	Abbie Caverly	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	228.93	100.00		11.42	240.35					
4-21-27	John W. Jewell	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	110.20	100.00		5.50	115.70		3.92			3.92
4-12-27	John D. Clark	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	336.73	100.00		16.82	353.55					
4- 2-27	Robert L. Foss	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	161.39	100.00		8.06	169.45		.40			.40
9-10-30	Herbert Foss	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	221.53	200.00		11.07	232.60		29.87			29.87
9- 2-33	Ella Holmes	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	106.62	100.00		8.43	114.05		11.81			11.81
8- 4-34	Dearborn Caswell	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	370.92	20.00		18.53	389.45		27.31			27.31
12-10-37	James Walker	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	100.00		4.98	104.98					
8-12-44	Fred Stanton	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	274.94	200.00		13.75	288.69		13.71		3.00	10.71
9- 6-50	Elizabeth Hartwell	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	132.63	100.00		6.63	139.26		5.62			5.62
3- 5-50	Llewelyn Hinn	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	296.69	200.00		14.82	311.51		10.00			10.00
10-22-50	John Waldron	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	122.69	100.00		8.14	128.83		7.24			7.24
5-11-55	Waldron & Caswell	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	148.32	100.00		7.41	155.73		20.38			20.38
9- 9-57	Paul Perkins	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	353.46	175.00		17.67	371.13					
8-11-57	Leighton & Winkley	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	477.00	250.00		23.87	500.87					
12-23-58	John Jenness	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	322.89	200.00		16.12	339.01		12.00			12.00
3-10-56	Webster & Tuttle	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	455.86	375.00		22.77	478.63		33.68			33.68
9- 3-71	Lillian Foss Cooper	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	225.30	200.00		11.26	236.56					
6- 3-72	Rev. John Caverly	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	467.91	465.00	15.00	23.36	476.27		15.00		15.00	
9- 5-72	Annie Swain & Bessie Gray	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	200.00	200.00		10.00	210.00					
12-31-72	Albert Brown (c/o John Cavemo)	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	52.56	50.00		2.62	56.20					
12-31-72	Albert Brown (c/o Luther Crichton)	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	52.56	50.00		2.62	55.20					
TOTALS				\$8,754.06	\$6,565.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 437.43	\$9,176.49		\$ 277.49	\$ 15.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 264.49

**REPORT OF TOWN AUDIT
TOWN OF STRAFFORD, N. H.
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1974**

**Revenue Sharing Fund
Statement of Revenue, Expenditures, Encumbrances
and Fund Balance**

Available Funds, January 1, 1974		\$ 3,595.12
Add Revenue:		
Entitlement Payments	\$ 7,663.00	
Interest	<u>224.99</u>	
		<u>7,887.99</u>
Total Available Funds		\$11,483.11
Less Expenditures:		
Operating/Maintenance Expenses:		
Public Safety	\$ 000	
Environmental Protection	000	
Public Transportation	000	
Health	000	
Recreation	000	
Libraries	000	
Social Services for Poor and Aged	000	
Financial Administration	<u>000</u>	
Total Operating/Maintenance Expenses		\$ 000
Capital Expenditures:		
Multipurpose and Gen. Gov't.	\$ 000	
Education	10,000.00	
Health	000	
Transportation	000	
Social Development	000	
Housing and Community Development	000	
Economic Development	000	
Environmental Conservation	000	
Public Safety	000	
Recreation / Culture	000	
Others	<u>000</u>	
Total Capital Expenditures		<u>\$10,000.00</u>
Available Cash – December 31, 1974		<u>\$ 1,483.11</u>

Less: Encumbrances (Appropriations Authorized)

December 31, 1974

Operating/Maintenance Expenses:

Public Safety	\$	000
Environmental Protection		000
Public Transportation		000
Health		1,483.11
Recreation		000
Libraries		000
Social Services for Poor & Aged		000
Financial Administration		000

Total Operating Encumbrances \$ 1,483.11

Capital Outlay:

Multipurpose and Gen. Gov't.	\$	000
Education		000
Health		000
Transportation		000
Social Development		000
Housing and Community Development		000
Economic Development		000
Environmental Conservation		000
Public Safety		000
Recreation / Culture		000
Others		000

Total Capital Encumbrances \$ 1,483.11

Available Unobligated Funds – December 31, 1974 \$ 000

LOREN W. PIERCE
ROGER S. LEIGHTON
Auditors

February 4, 1975

AUDITORS' REPORT

We hereby certify that we have made an examination of the books and records of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Town Clerk, and Trustees of Trust Funds for the year ending December 31, 1974.

That in our opinion the accompanying statements set forth the financial condition of the town of Strafford and the results of their operations for the year ending December 31, 1974.

LOREN W. PIERCE
ROGER S. LEIGHTON
Auditors

Strafford, N. H.
February 6, 1975

RURAL DISTRICT HEALTH COUNCIL, INC.
ANNUAL REPORT
January 1, 1974 — December 31, 1974

The Rural District Health Council has experienced another year of growth and reorganization in 1974. The continued success of this program lies in the dedication of the agency personnel, and the capable professional staff assures the availability of quality care.

Skilled nursing service is still the major part of the program, and as more people become aware of the value of home care, demands for the service increase. These services are provided by Mrs. Barbara Drew, R.N. of Farmington, Mrs. Myrtle Walsh, R.N. of Milton and Mrs. Lucy Myers, R.N., B.S. of Deerfield. Mrs. Evelyn Therrien, R.N. of Barrington has also been working on a part-time basis. Mrs. Kathleen Hansen, RPT of Epping continues to provide physical therapy when ordered.

Mrs. Ardala Houle, R.N. of Rochester has been the Agency Coordinator and Clinic Supervisor. In this capacity she is the liason between the Rural District Health Council, area hospitals and other community health agencies. She is also the leader of the clinic team.

As a result of the increased interest and services in the Maternal and Child Health Program, Miss Arlene Thorne, R.N. of Strafford is now employed full time as the agency Maternal and Child Health nurse, ensuring more continuity of care in this specialty. Mrs. Bernadette Cameron, R.N. of Deerfield, a new member of our staff, has been organizing prenatal and parenting discussions which are conducted at each clinic. The Rural District Health Council works in cooperation with the N. H. State Department of Public Health in offering Well Child clinics for children from 0-6 years. Again this year, through the cooperation of the N. H. Bureau of Dental Public Health, a dental clinic was held for the children from 3-6 years who are enrolled in the Well Child Program. The agency has also worked cooperatively with the school nurses in the member towns to assure that the immunizations of all students are updated. The Rural District Health Council is an active participant in

the Maternal and Infant Care program of the Strafford County Prenatal and Family Planning Association. The agency also works closely with the Exeter Area Family Planning Association. As a result of these changes, a more comprehensive program is now being offered by the Council.

Early in the year, the Rural District Health Council was approached by the Senior Citizen group in Farmington requesting an ongoing screening for its members. As a result, two times each month, agency nurses are present at the Senior Citizen Meeting Room in the Farmington Town Hall to check blood pressure, pulse, respiration, height, weight, urine and hemoglobin, and to do nutrition counseling. This has been greatly appreciated by the participating members. A similar program is being initiated in Northwood through the cooperation of the Northwood Plus 55 Club.

During October and November, successful Adult Screening clinics were held in Farmington and Northwood in cooperation with the Special Services of the Department of Public Health, local organizations, American Cancer Society, Portsmouth Rehabilitation Center, and Health professionals. These were open to any area person wishing to attend.

The office procedures of the Rural District Health Council are ably handled by Mrs. Norma Davis, Bookkeeper, and Mrs. Eleanor Eaton, Secretary, both of Farmington.

The Rural District Health Council is supported by the funds contributed by the member towns at an annual rate of \$1.00 per capita, state grants and fees for service. Anyone interested in the program or needing service is asked to contact the office in Farmington, P. O. Box 563, 6 South Main Street, Telephone 755-2989.

CYNTHIA BLOOD
Executive Director
Rural District Health Council, Inc.

**RURAL DISTRICT HEALTH COUNCIL
TOWN STATISTICS
January 1, 1974 – December 31, 1974**

<u>Town</u>	<u>Home Visits</u>	<u>Clinic Visits</u>	<u>Total</u>
Barrington	358	199	557
Deerfield	382	94	476
Farmington	1152	203	1355
Middleton	281	43	401
Milton	1152	91	1243
New Durham	337	64	401
Northwood	319	110	429
Nottingham	176	89	265
Strafford	654	87	741
Northwood School	---	86	86
Epsom	2	---	2
Epsom School	---	86	86
Epping	1	---	1
Alton	3	16	19
Sandown	---	4	4
Total	4817	1172	5989

Adult Screening

Northwood	100
Pap Tests	50
Diabetes re-tests	11
Farmington	125
Pap Tests	25
Diabetes re-test	7
Farmington Senior Citizens Screening	39
Dental Screening	250

Home Visits

Nursing	4479
Physical Therapy	338
Total	4817

CENTER BARNSTEAD FIRE DEPARTMENT

	Ambulance Calls 1972	Ambulance Calls 1973	Ambulance Calls 1974*
Pittsfield	73	78	120
Barnstead	46	86	97
Epsom	66	70	74
Northwood	35	48	81
Strafford	13	14	29
Chichester	24	17	14
Gilmanton	28	32	22
Total	285	345	437

*The 1974 figures were compiled as of December 17th.

REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND DISTRICT CHIEF

Report to Towns

All open burning when the ground is not covered with snow is controlled by the Town Forest Fire Warden in cooperation with the New Hampshire Forest Fire Service. Anyone wishing to kindle a fire out-of-doors when the ground is not covered with snow must have a written permit signed by the Town Forest Fire Warden. If the fire is to be kindled on land not owned by the person kindling the fire then he must have the permission of the landowner. No outdoor fires can be kindled between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. unless it is raining, without the additional approval of the District Forest Fire Chief.

The 1974 Forest fire season was one of the worst in the past two decades. Woodlands in central and southern New Hampshire became so dry in mid August that the Governor and Council, upon the recommendation of the State Forester, enacted a partial woodlands closure in Sullivan, Cheshire, Hillsborough, Merrimack and Belknap Counties and a complete woodlands closure in Strafford and Rockingham Counties plus the Towns of Barnstead, Gilmanton and Alton in Belknap County. Through the excellent cooperation of the citizens of our State no major forest fire occurred at any time during the year.

1974 FOREST FIRE STATISTICS

	<u>No. of Fires</u>	<u>No. of Acres</u>
State	871	915
District	247	193.83
Town	4	4.26

District Fire Chief
CLARK M. DAVIS

Forest Fire Warden
SUMNER B. HAYES

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

The information given is the Fifth Annual Report of the Strafford Police Department. 1974 was a good year. There were less calls because of the weekly patrol done by this department. This year, with the help of the State Police and this department, there have been six subjects apprehended for breaking into residences in this town, for which they have paid their penalties.

We purchased a portable radio which can be installed in a car and used as a two way radio. This also can be used as a single unit which gives the coverage need if you have to leave your vehicle for any length of time.

Last year the officers and myself attended a part-time school which was held in Portsmouth, put on by the Police Standards Council and Training which was eight weeks. This year it will be held from March 3, 1975 until June 2, 1975.

This Department has appointed a Highway Safety Committee to be sent in to the State.

We traveled eight thousand miles this year on our new patrol system. The patrol was set up April 1, 1974 to provide the town with a better and more complete coverage. On the patrol we check camps, vacant homes, businesses, and the town buildings, as well as enforcing traffic laws. The patrol provided equal time for each officer and proved beneficial in the apprehension of a person involved in a burglary of a home in Strafford.

This year I would like to have the residents of the town or camp owners call this department if they see a vehicle they think does not belong in the area. This will help keep the breaks down. It would be a help in the near future to have a cruiser in town. The officers can be reached at the following numbers: 664-2837, 664-2225, - 742-4968, - 664-9378. On behalf of the men in the department, I would like to thank the inhabitants of the Town of Strafford for their support during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
EDGAR E. BURROWS
Chief of Police

**Total of Calls Answered
for the Year January 1, 1974 to December 31, 1974**

Community Services:	
Messages Delivered	5
Try and Locate	8
Motor Vehicle:	
Accidents Investigated	20
DE tags given out	14
Stolen cars recovered	2
Abandoned cars	4
Stolen Boats recovered	2
Complaints Answered:	
Malicious Damage	10
Breaking and Entering	28
Breaks Solved	5
Dog complaints	16
Snowmobile	2
Animals at large	6
Miscellaneous	72
Persons Bitten by Dogs	1
Stealing from Mail Boxes and Damage	1
Deer Hit by Motor Vehicles	3
Assisted the Ambulance	5
Assisting Other Departments:	
Investigations	5
People Transported	2
Messages Relayed	1
Try and Locate	7
Serving Summons	1
Actions:	
Court Cases	<u>27</u>
Total	247

**TOWN ORDINANCES
RECORDED IN THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE
AS OF JANUARY 1, 1975**

August 16, 1968

1. There shall be no parking of automobiles on either side of Water St., at any time, from the dam to the residence of John Young.
2. There shall be no parking of automobiles on either side of Province Road, at any time, from the town parking lot to the old school house.
3. There shall be no swimming, or loitering after 10:30 p.m. at the bathing areas, at Bow Lake Dam.

Per order of Selectmen
Albert W. Leighton
Oscar B. Pratt

Received and Recorded
August 17, 1968 – 12:30 p.m.
Phyllis F. Lynbourg, Town Clerk of Strafford

**Regulations Governing the Use of Town Beaches and
Recreational Areas Within the Town of Strafford**

1. Subject to such regulations as have been lawfully imposed thereon by the State of New Hampshire, regulating the use of Bow Lake and the Dam area in the town of Strafford the use thereon by the Public shall be subject to this regulation.
2. Said beaches and areas shall be open to public use each day from Sunrise to 10 p.m., and shall not be open at any other time, excepting in the case of emergency.
3. Any person throwing or depositing upon the beaches or approach thereto any material of glass, paper, scrap metal or refuse of any nature shall be subject to the provision of RSA-A:83.

4. No person shall disrobe for the purpose of bathing, or otherwise at the beach in a place or manner exposing them to Public view.

5. No person shall build a fire on any beach or unauthorized recreational area without first obtaining permission to do so from the Fire Chief or other authorized person, and being so authorized, shall not leave the fire unextinguished upon leaving the beach or area.

6. No person shall participate in any obscene or abusive behavior on any beach or recreational area which shall interfere with the use and enjoyment thereof by the Public.

7. No parking of any vehicle shall be permitted on any street adjacent to the Dam or beaches or any area where no parking signs are posted.

Board of Selectmen
Oscar B. Pratt
Victor S. Bergstrom
John B. Young

Received and Recorded
July 5, 1969 – 12:15 p.m.
Phyllis F. Lynbourg, Town Clerk of Strafford

February 8, 1971 – Traffic Ordinance, Town of Strafford

1. It shall be illegal to park any motor vehicle on any roadway at any time. All vehicles so found are liable to be towed at owner's expense.

Selectmen
Victor S. Bergstrom
John B. Young
Albert W. Leighton

Received and Recorded
March 9, 1971 – 4:00 p.m.
Phyllis F. Lynbourg, Town Clerk of Strafford

June 1, 1974 — Traffic Ordinance

1. The speed limit be posted at 20 m.p.h. between the Grange Hall to David Dupee's on Water St., Strafford, Bow Lake from June 1 to October 1 each year.

Strafford Selectmen

Lester E. Huckins

Wesley W. Wheeler

Albert W. Leighton

Received and Recorded

June 1, 1974 — 1:00 p.m.

Phyllis F. Lynbourg, Town Clerk of Strafford

A true copy of records, Attest:

Phyllis F. Lynbourg

Town Clerk of Strafford

STRAFFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT
January 1, 1974 – December 31, 1974

The Strafford Fire Department had a fairly busy year with the same number of calls as last year. There were a total of 21 calls which the department answered with the breakdown as follows:

	Fires
Chimney	4
Grass and Brush	4
Car and Truck	1
Dump	2
Structural (1 assisting Barrington)	6
Electrical	1
	Other Calls
Accidents	2
Removal of cat from tree	1
Total	21

We had the same number of calls as in 1973 but the number of calls in the different categories changed somewhat drastically.

There were no structural fires in 1973 but 6 in 1974.

Six courtesy calls were made including: pumping out wells, filling swimming pools, and the spring burning of fields. Although no charge is made in regard to such calls, donations are gratefully accepted.

One of the biggest accomplishments of the year was the merging of the Crown Point and Center Strafford Departments. Both departments were town owned, functioned separately and therefore not to the town's best advantage.

The 1942 Dodge was retired this year as it was no longer safe to use as an emergency vehicle.

We acquired two 300 gpm portable pumps which were mounted on our two tank trucks. Currently the department is in the process of painting and fixing up the tankers. These two trucks are in fairly good shape, yet a commercially built professional fire truck is desperately needed.

In the coming year we hope to join a mutual aid group. This will give us an opportunity to gain more experience by assisting area towns and cities and having them assist us.

Six department men took part in two area fire schools— one in Laconia and one in Fitzwilliam. An average of 700-1000 men

from New England were trained at these schools each year. 1974 was the fifth consecutive year Strafford men have attended.

More Volunteers are needed. Anyone interested may contact Loren Pierce. It is also hoped that townspeople will feel free to drop in any time with suggestions or a helping hand.

In the ensuing year department members will try to contact everyone in town to be sure they have the department's emergency number. To report a fire call 664-9320.

Respectfully submitted,
LOREN W. PIERCE
 Chief

STRAFFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT BUDGET FOR 1975

The total amount asked for is \$3,740.00. The itemization is as follows:

Tires (4 snow)	\$ 800.00
Fire School	90.00
Fire Phones	375.00
Heat and Electricity	800.00
Gas and Oil	200.00
Stationery	40.00
Postage	10.00
Telephone	10.00
Radio Repairs and Supplies	100.00
First Aid Kits (2)	48.00
Wooden Ladder (35')	350.00
Hose and Nozzle (2½" x 500').....	714.00
Pike Poles (4)	84.00
Axes (2)	26.00
Hose Straps (6)	33.00
Back Up Bells (3)	60.00
Total	\$3,740.00

These prices are through our regular supplier, Bob Wallingford. If through another supplier the total price for the exact same supplies would be \$4,531.

The fire phone price is more than last year, since we feel quite strongly that we need two more phones so as to give better coverage. This would insure that someone would answer the phone when we receive a call.

REPORT OF SPECIAL STUDY COMMITTEE

The first meeting of the Town of Strafford Development Study Committee was held on May 22, 1974 at the Strafford Town Hall. This committee was duly appointed by the Town Moderator, Russell C. Shilliber, upon a Motion made, and seconded and voted upon in the affirmative at the Annual Town Meeting of March 1974.

After much discussion at the first meeting, the members of the committee realized that their individual concerns about growth and other potential problems in the town may not necessarily be the concerns of the townspeople. The suggestion of a survey seemed appropriate, and it was hoped that from this survey the committee would be better guided in its functions. With the cooperation of the Cooperative Extension Service, which supplied the paper at no cost to the town, and with the experience of Dan Ellison, Community Resource and Development Agent, as well as input from the committee itself, a Community Self-Survey was formulated. The self-survey, or pre-survey as it has been called, contained five general questions. It was distributed in late summer of 1974.

The results of the pre-survey served as the basis for the preparation of the final survey. Literally hundreds of man-hours were spent in the correlation of the final survey; the committee feels it to be comprehensive and worthy of use by others in the town, including civic groups, by the School Board, Fire Department, Selectmen, Planning Board, Conservation Commission and others. We wish to thank those people who spent considerable time and at their own expense helped to distribute and collect both the pre-survey and the final survey. Their efforts were appreciated.

With the work of the surveys behind us, the Committee intends to appoint sub-committees to work in specific areas of concern to the townspeople. Over 50 people expressed interest in helping, and it is hoped that many of these same people will be working on the sub-committees. As an introduction, members of the committee are the following: Cal Schroeder, Chairman; Bob Perry, Secretary; Neil Mooers, Gil Fistere, Chris Bozak, JoAnne Brown and Jim Foss. We hope the town recognizes the need for the continuation of the study committee for another year so that the results of the surveys may be followed through.

Respectfully submitted,
CAL SCHROEDER
Chairman

REPORT OF THE SCENIC ROADS COMMITTEE

After studying RSA 253:17 & 18 and reviewing questionnaires, the Committee feels that roads classified under the above statute would be feasible in the Town of Strafford. Our conclusion is based on the recommendation that the initiative to declare roads scenic should come from the residents of that road rather than from any official municipal body.

The purpose of the statute is to enable towns to preserve what they might feel is important in their environment. One possible advantage allows circumventing construction requirements on monies received from the State for TRA. For example, if a road is declared scenic the town may forego the width requirement, making it possible to get more miles of improvement for the same amount of money. We also feel that it gives citizens more opportunity to take an active part in deciding the town's future.

The Committee recognizes, however, that there may be potential problems in road maintenance. It is felt that these problems can be foreseen and hearings conducted to resolve any discrepancies between the limitations of the law and what must be done to practically serve road maintenance. In reviewing returned questionnaires, problems seem to exist where there are misunderstandings of what the law actually sets out.

As mentioned above, planning seems to be the most effective way of resolving potential problems, and as such, puts an additional administrative burden upon the existing municipal government. The positive aspects of the law, may outweigh any foreseen difficulties.

The Committee met several times, once with the Selectmen. We familiarized ourselves with the statute and its provisions and debated its merits. All the towns with designated scenic roads (44) were contacted by questionnaire and about 50% responded. This information is incorporated in the body of this report.

Respectfully submitted,
GAIL BARRY
ALAN CORINDIA
STEVEN LEIGHTON
RADFORD MESSENGER
BRUCE SMITH

1/28/75

STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

Officers

SCHOOL BOARD

Edgar W. Huckins	Term Expires 1975
Carl T. Gustafson, Jr.	Term Expires 1976
Philip Dame	Term Expires 1977

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Charles H. Morgan, B.S.Ed., M.Ed.

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

Kenneth J. Beaupre, B.Ed., M. Ed.
(Resigned)

Franklin E. Black, B.A., M.E.D.

TREASURER

Christine Bozak

MODERATOR

Russell C. Shillaber

CLERK

Robert Perry

AUDITOR

Ruth Talvio

ATTENDANCE OFFICER AND SCHOOL CENSUS

Leonard W. Davis

SCHOOL NURSE

Mrs. Lois Fistere, R.N.

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
TENTATIVE STRAFFORD SCHOOL WARRANT

To the Inhabitants of the School district in the town of Strafford qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Strafford School in said district on the 4th day of March, 1975, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To choose Auditors, and all other necessary officers and agents for the ensuing year.

Given under our hands at said Strafford this 22nd day of January 1975.

EDGAR W. HUCKINS
CARL T. GUSTAFSON, JR.
PHILIP DAME
School Board

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

EDGAR W. HUCKINS
CARL T. GUSTAFSON, JR.
PHILIP DAME
School Board

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
TENTATIVE STRAFFORD SCHOOL WARRANT

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Strafford qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Strafford School in said district on the 11th day of March 1975 at 8:00 o'clock in the afternoon to act on the following subjects:

1. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the distirct.

2. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

3. To choose agents and committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

4. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district.

5. To see if the district will authorize the School Board to make application for and to receive, in the name of the district, such advances, grants-in-aid or other funds for educational purposes as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the United States government and/or state agencies.

6. To see if the district will vote to become a member of the Strafford County Learning Disabilities Center and receive the benefits of its services at a cost to the district of two dollars per pupil. The cost to this district is projected to be \$370.00 for 1975-76.

7. To see if the District will ratify and confirm the action of the Board in (1) acquiring a 2.2 acre tract of land from Herbert

and Edith Messenger located on the northwesterly side of Route 202-A adjacent to the elementary school and, (2) payment of \$1,500 for said land from the funds appropriated for the construction of an addition to said school.

8. To see if the District will vote to reduce to \$136,000 the portion of the \$146,000 appropriated November 29, 1973 for the school addition to be raised by bonds and notes, said \$10,000 reduction representing Federal Revenue Sharing Funds appropriated for such purpose by the Town and accepted by the District at their respective meetings of March 5, 1974 and March 12, 1974 in conformity with the intent of the District to raise total monies not in excess of \$146,000 for such purpose.

9. To see if the School District will vote to authorize the School Board to expend, if necessary, some or all of the interest money accrued in the Savings Account established in connection with the building addition authorized on November 29, 1973.

10. To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands this () day of February 1975.

EDGAR W. HUCKINS
CARL T. GUSTAFSON, JR.
PHILIP DAME
School Board

A true copy of Warrent – Attest:

EDGAR W. HUCKINS
CARL T. GUSTAFSON, JR.
PHILIP DAME
School Board

REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER
for the Fiscal Year July 1, 1973 to June 30, 1974

Summary

Cash on Hand July 1, 1973 (Treas.'s bank bal.)	\$ 912.46
Rec'd. from Selectmen:	
Current Appropriation	\$152,296.46
Bal. of Previous Appropriations ..	17,842.96
Revenue from State Sources	7,603.92
Revenue from Federal Sources	8,814.06
Received from Tuitions	290.00
Rec'd. as income from Trust Funds	53.64
Rec'd. from all other Sources	<u>4,875.17</u>
Total Receipts	<u>\$191,776.21</u>
Total Amt. Available for Fiscal Year	
(Bal. and Receipts)	\$192,688.67
Less School Board Orders Paid	<u>188,216.77</u>
Balance on hand June 30, 1974 (Treas.'s. bank bal.)	<u><u>\$ 4,471.90</u></u>

Summary

Received from Sale of Notes and Bonds	
(Principal only)	\$136,000.00
Total Receipts	<u>\$136,000.00</u>
Total Amt. Available for Fiscal Year	
(Bal. and Receipts).....	136,000.00
Less School Board Orders Paid	<u>5,000.00</u>
Balance on Hand June 30, 1974 (Treas.'s bank bal.)	\$131,000.00

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Strafford of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1974, and find them correct in all respects.

RUTH I. TALVIO
Auditor (Dist. Treas.)

August 26, 1974

FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
For the Fiscal Year
July 1, 1973 to June 30, 1974

Balance, July 1, 1973	\$ 912.46
Received from Local Sources:	
Balance, '72-'73 District Assessment	\$ 17,842.96
from '73-'74 District Assessment	<u>152,296.46</u>
	170,139.42
Other Revenue from Local Sources:	
Rent	\$ 35.00
Gifts and Bequests	53.64
'72-'73 Acct's Receivable from Hot Lunch Program	1,397.75
Filing Fees	<u>5.00</u>
	1,491.39
Revenue from State Sources:	
School Building Aid	\$ 2,614.99
Sweepstakes	4,100.03
Dual Enrollment and Child Benefit	888.90
School Lunch and Special Milk Program	<u>374.85</u>
	7,978.77
Revenue from Federal Sources:	
School Lunch and Special Milk Program Public Law 874	\$ 4,388.21
	<u>4,051.00</u>
	8,439.21
Item 60 Receipts (Reimb. Expenditures:	<u>3,727.42</u>
Grand Total, Net Receipts, June 30, 1974	\$192,688.67
Total Expenditures July 1, 1973 to June 30, 1974	<u>\$188,216.77</u>
Cash on Hand June 30, 1974	\$ 4,471.90
Accounts Receivable June 30, 1974:	
From Federal Sources (Vocational Training)	\$ 1,420.00
From State Sources (Foster Children)	<u>400.00</u>
	1,820.00
Balance June 30, 1974	\$ 6,291.90
Encumbered Funds:	
Repair Roof	
Pump Septic Tank	<u>\$ 6,291.90</u>
Unencumbered Balance	\$ 000

STATUS OF SCHOOL NOTES AND BONDS

1. Name of Building or Project for which notes or bonds were issued.	Strafford School	1st Addition	Addition #2	Total
2. Outstanding at Beginning of Year	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 39,233.36		\$ 74,233.36
3. Issued During Year			\$136,000.00	\$136,000.00
4. Total (2 plus 3)	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 39,233.36	\$136,000.00	\$210,233.36
5. Payments of Principal of Debt	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 3,566.76		\$ 8,566.76
6. Notes and Bonds Outstanding at End of Yr. (4 minus 5)	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 35,666.60	\$136,000.00	\$201,666.60

DETAILED EXPENDITURES (1973 - 1974)

Administration:

Salaries:

Edgar Huckins, Chm. School Board	\$ 200.00	
Carl Gustafson, School Board Member	200.00	
Robert Dowst, School Board Member	150.00	
Philip Dame, School Board Member	50.00	
Christine Bozak, Treasurer	200.00	
Russell Shillaber, Moderator	10.00	
Sylvia Dowst, District Clerk	15.00	
Ruth Talvio, Auditor	10.00	
Elizabeth Carlson, Auditor	<u>10.00</u>	
		\$ 845.00

Contracted Services:

Elizabeth Carlson, Bookkeeper	\$ 350.00	
Leonard Davis, Census	<u>30.00</u>	
		380.00

Other Expenses for Administration 124.83

Instruction:

Salaries:

Principal & 4th Grade Teacher,		
Irene Scribner	\$ 8,050.00	
Grade 1	Sally Low	6,500.00
Grade 2	Nancy Higgins	7,050.00
Grade 3	Maryellen Childs	6,650.00
Grades 5 & 6	Patricia Sukduang	6,281.75
Grades 7 & 8		
Phys. Ed.	Richard Boyle	7,050.00
Grade 8	Mary Higgins	7,310.28
Teacher's Aide	Barbara Newsky	2,423.80
Art	Eleanor Byrne	1,371.96
Music	Harriet VanDeusen	231.66
Music	Virginia Linn	664.92
District Share of Blue Cross	150.00	
Staff Development Courses	<u>89.40</u>	
		53,823.77

Substitutes:

Frances L. Charron	\$ 741.00	
Ada Hayes	180.00	
Marion Conroy	506.95	
Carolyn Clarke	28.89	
Sarah E. Low	214.17	
Dorothy Berry	15.00	
Carleen Boutsians	15.00	
Darla Higgins	<u>247.50</u>	
		1,948.51

Tutoring:

Bernice Omand	\$ 52.00
Sally Low	<u>28.00</u>

80.00

DETAILED EXPENDITURES (1973-1974) cont.

Instruction (cont.):		
Textbooks	\$	\$ 1,380.47
School Library and Audiovisual Materials		335.50
Teaching Supplies		2,260.13
Contracted Services:		
Rinehart, Inc.		350.00
Other Expenses		46.10
Attendance Services:		
Truant Officer, Leonard Davis		25.00
Health Services:		
School Nurse, Lois Fistere	\$	2,400.00
Supplies and Travel		<u>59.32</u>
		2,459.32
Pupil Transportation:		
Contracted Service:		
Douglas Hatch	\$	5,095.27
Herbert Scribner		9,299.55
Virgil Scribner		<u>2,435.41</u>
		16,830.23
Operation of Plant:		
Custodial Salary, Robert Heffernan	\$	4,150.00
Supplies		922.77
Heat, James K. Horne		2,362.41
Utilities:		
Public Service & New England Tel.		<u>1,933.93</u>
		9,369.11
Maintenance of Plant:		
Replacement of Equipment	\$	190.00
Repairs to Equipment		94.50
Contracted Services:		
Perfection Engineering		258.20
3M Business Products, Inc.		49.50
Reyco Welding		22.00
Robert Talvio		<u>13.00</u>
		627.20
Fixed Charges:		
Teachers Retirement	\$	790.17
F. I. C. A. (Social Security)		3,936.97
Insurance		<u>1,486.90</u>
		6,214.04
School Lunch and Special Milk Program:		
District Contribution	\$	200.00
Federal Contribution		<u>4,356.51</u>
		4,556.51

DETAILED EXPENDITURES (1973 - 1974) cont.

Student Body Activities:		\$ 272.20
Capitol Outlay:		
Equipment		725.92
Debt Service:		
Principal of Debt	\$ 8,566.76	
Interest on Debt	<u>3,143.93</u>	
		11,710.69
Outgoing Transfer Accounts:		
Tuition to Other Districts	\$ 40,112.28	
Tuition to Public Academies	22,240.75	
District Share of Union Expenses	<u>3,940.69</u>	
		66,293.72
Transportation:		
Vocational Students (reimbursable)	\$ 1,420.00	
Handicapped Students	<u>1,161.10</u>	
		2,581.10
Expenditures Other Than Public Schools:		
Tuition to Great Bay		<u>1,250.00</u>
Total		\$184,489.35
Item 60 (Reimbursed Expenditures)		<u>3,727.42</u>
Grand Total Detailed Expenditures		<u><u>\$188,216.77</u></u>

STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET WORKSHEET -- 1975-1976

Purpose of Appropriation	Adopted 1973-74	Expended 1973-74	Adopted 1974-75	Proposed 1975-76
Administration				
Salaries	\$ 845.00	\$ 845.00	\$ 845.00	\$ 845.00
Contracted Services	380.00	380.00	430.00	430.00
Other Expenses	150.00	124.83	150.00	150.00
Instruction				
Salaries	56,400.00	55,852.28	69,930.00	77,530.00
Textbooks	1,400.00	1,380.47	1,575.00	1,000.00
Library and Audiovisual Materials	510.00	335.50	1,475.00	1,200.00
Teaching Supplies	3,000.00	2,260.13	3,700.00	3,550.00
Contracted Services	.....	350.00	700.00	300.00
Other Expenses	100.00	46.10	100.00	100.00
Attendance Services	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
Health Services	2,550.00	2,459.32	2,770.00	2,974.00
Pupil Transportation	16,349.00	16,830.23	16,349.00	17,949.00
Operation of Plant				
Salaries	4,150.00	4,150.00	4,980.00	5,600.00
Supplies	700.00	922.77	1,100.00	1,100.00
Contracted Services	.....	.....	.....	300.00
Heat	1,800.00	2,362.41	4,000.00	6,000.00
Utilities	1,800.00	1,933.93	3,000.00	3,000.00
Maintenance of Plant	1,320.00	627.20	930.00	1,600.00

Fixed Charges	5,071.09	4,727.14	6,350.31	7,310.84
Employees Retirement and F.I.C.A.	1,295.00	1,486.90	1,400.00	2,200.00
Insurance	1,295.00	1,486.90	1,400.00	2,200.00
School Lunch and Special Milk	1,800.00	4,556.51	1,800.00	1,800.00
Student-Body Activities	200.00	272.20	200.00	600.00
Capitol Outlay				
Equipment	312.00	725.92	20.00	550.00
Debit Service				
Principal of Debt	8,566.76	8,566.76	13,166.76	22,166.76
Interest on Debt	3,143.93	3,143.93	10,076.06	9,179.63
Outgoing Transfer Accounts in State				
Tuition	63,653.00	62,353.03	75,364.32	79,648.00
Transportation	800.00	2,581.10	.....	1,100.00
District Share of Union Expenses	3,940.69	3,940.69	4,551.99	5,281.63
Expenditures to Other Than Public Schools	<u>1,790.00</u>	<u>1,250.00</u>	<u>1,924.00</u>	<u>.....</u>
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$182,051.47	\$184,289.35	\$226,912.44*	\$253,489.86

*The proposed 74-75 budget was \$234,812.44. The School Board reduced the budget at the District Meeting on March 12, 1974 to \$224,812.44. The District added \$2,100.00 for salary adjustments.

**STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
REVENUES AND CREDITS**

Revenues and Credits Available to Reduce School Taxes	Approved Revenues 74-75	Estimated Revenues 75-76
Unencumbered Balance	\$ 000	
Revenue from State Sources:		
Sweepstakes	3,350.28	\$ 3,300.00
School Building Aid	3,619.90	6,650.03
Foster Child.	400.00	100.00
Other Revenue from State Sources	8.25	
Revenue from Federal Sources:		
Sch. Lunch & Special Milk Program	2,000.00	1,600.00
PL 874 (Impacted Area-Cur. Oper.)	100.00	100.00
Local Revenue Except Taxes:		
Trust Fund Income	35.00	35.00
Total Revenues and Credits	\$ 9,513.43	\$ 11,750.00
District Assessment to be Raised by Property Taxes	217,399.01	241,739.83
Total Appropriations	\$226,912.44	\$253,489.86

**STRAFFORD SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM
Financial Statement
July 1, 1973 to June 30, 1974**

Beginning Balance – July 1, 1973		\$ 3.39
Receipts:		
Lunch Sales – Children	\$ 6,538.00	
Lunch Sales – Adults	267.60	
Reimbursement	4,356.51	
District Appropriation	200.00	
Misc. Cash	272.28	
Total Receipts		\$ 11,634.39
Total Available		\$ 11,637.78
Expenditures:		
Food	\$ 7,238.24	
Labor	3,374.50	
Repayment of Loan	497.75	
All Other Expenditures	277.08	
Total Expenditures		11,387.57
Balance – June 30, 1974		\$ 250.21
Other Program Resources:		
USDA Commodities Rec'd. (Wholesale Value)		\$ 1,001.00

BALANCE SHEET
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1974

Assets:

Cash in Bank	\$ 250.21
Accounts Receivable:	
Reimbursement due Program	1,027.74
Food Inventory — June 30	180.00
Supplies Inventory — June 30	5.00
	<hr/>
Total Assets	\$ 1,462.95

DOROTHY L. SMITH

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT AND ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board and Citizens of the Strafford School District:

When school opened in September of 1974, the Strafford Elementary School was organized as indicated in the following chart:

<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Grade/Subject</u>
Mrs. Sally Low	Grade 1 and Readiness
Mrs. Katrina Rhodes	Grade 2
Miss Maryellen Childs	Grade 3
Miss Nancy Higgins	Grade 4
Mrs. Regina Garnier	Grade 5 – Mathematics
Mrs. Patricia Sukduang	Grade 6 – Science
Mr. Richard Boyle	Grade 7 – Social Studies and Principal
Mrs. Mary Higgins	Grade 8 – English

Other Staff Members

Mrs. Lois Fistere	School Nurse
Mrs. Eleanor Byrne	Art – part time
Mrs. Barbara Newsky	Readiness Aide
Mrs. Virginia Linn	Music, part time
Mrs. Dorothy Smith	Lunch Supervisor
Mrs. Irma Messenger	Lunch Worker
Mr. Robert Heffernan	Custodian
Miss Charlene Davis	Learning Disabilities*
Miss Margaret Reed	Speech Clinician*
Mrs. Priscilla Hart	Special Education*

*These positions are funded by the Joint Title I / Special Education Cooperative project operated by the Boards of Nottingham, Strafford, Barrington and Northwood.

The enrollment by grade as reported on September 20, 1974, was as indicated below:

<u>Grade</u>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	<u>Total</u>
Enrollment	29	24	26	18	22	28	29	20	196*

In addition, there are two pupils placed in other schools as required under R.S.A. 186-A, dealing with handicapped pupils.

Strafford school district residents attending high schools and approved public academies were distributed as indicated below:

School	Grade				Total	Tuition Rate
	9	10	11	12		
Dover High School		4	1	3	8	\$1,030.00
Pittsfield High School		2	1	1	4	807.00
Oyster Riv. Reg. High				1	1	1,244.00
Austin Cate Academy		1		1	2	925.00
Coe-Brown Northwood Academy	6	7	6	5	24	1,050.00
Spaulding High School	13	9	9	14	45	774.53
	19	23	17	25	84	

The School Board and the District are commended for their continued interest and support of the Strafford School System. The recently constructed addition is an excellent example of the solution to a problem recognized by the district. Unfortunately, although a woman's work is reputed never to be done, neither is a school board's. It may be remembered that in the District Report for 1970, the status of the Strafford Elementary School and the Minimum Standards for Elementary Schools was considered at length. It is felt that it would be fitting to make a report on the progress which has been made since that time, and indicate what additional steps need to be taken.

1. The pupil-teacher ratio for grades 1 and 2 shall be 25 to 1 or less.
 - a) Now 29 to 1 and 24 to 1. However, Grade 1 has a readiness program which it did not have in the earlier report.
2. The pupil-teacher ratio for Grades 3 – 8 shall be 30 to 1 or less.
 - a) Double grades prevented this from being reached, but the addition makes this possible now.
3. A broad and well balanced curriculum is offered.
 - a) Since 1970, the art program has been added, and the physical education program has been developed.
4. Library services. Schools of Strafford's size need 1,000 square feet of library space and there must be access to 6,000 books.
 - a) There is now sufficient library space. The collection of books is being advocated on a yearly basis.

5. Guidance Services shall be provided to all pupils.
 - a) There is no guidance service at present.
6. Special Education services shall be provided to all children who differ from average to a significant degree in intellectual, emotional, or physical characteristics.
 - a) This standard is being met with the Joint Special Education-Learning Disabilities Project. The District is also assigning pupils to special programs outside of the District.
7. In schools with an enrollment of 150-300 pupils, the principal shall have at least one half time scheduled for the supervision of instruction and other administrative responsibilities.
 - a) This standard is not being fully met.

As can be seen by the reader, the District has made good progress toward meeting the minimum standards. It is hoped that the full implementation of minimum standards will be completed within equally short time.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES H. MORGAN
Superintendent
FRANKLIN E. BLACK
Assistant Superintendent

SALARY OF SUPERINTENDENT
AND
ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT
1973-74

(R.S.A. Chapter 189:48 — New Hampshire Laws)

<u>School District</u>	% <u>Local Share</u>	<u>Superintendent</u>	<u>Assistant Superintendent</u>
Barrington	12.78	\$ 1,849.90	\$ 1,514.43
Farmington	25.97	3,759.16	3,077.45
Middleton	2.50	361.88	296.25
Milton	16.35	2,366.66	1,937.47
Northwood	11.98	1,734.10	1,419.63
Nottingham	7.10	1,027.73	841.35
Strafford	7.93	1,147.87	939.71
Wakefield	15.39	2,227.70	1,823.71
	<hr/> 100.00	<hr/> \$14,475.00	<hr/> \$11,850.00
State's Share		<hr/> 2,500.00	<hr/> 2,400.00
Total		<hr/> \$16,975.00	<hr/> \$14,250.00

BUILDING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Architect, Irving W. Hersey Associates of Durham, New Hampshire, working with the Building Committee completed the design of the four room addition and sewage disposal system in late February 1974. Bids were opened on March 14, 1974. Seven bids for the addition and sewage disposal system were received with a low bid of \$149,900 and a high bid of \$169,440.

The low bid (to which a 6% Architect's fee would be added) greatly exceeded the \$146,000 authorized at the Special District Meeting on November 29, 1973. All bids were rejected. The design was reviewed for possible changes. The Committee agreed that a saving might be realized if the addition and sewage disposal system were advertised under separate contracts. The building design was modified, the sewage disposal system deleted and negotiations conducted with a Rochester, New Hampshire Contractor, Frank L. Knights, Inc. On April 22, 1974, a contract for the addition only was signed with Mr. Knights for \$126,600. (Prior to executing the Contract an Informational Meeting was held and the risks of escalating costs and overruns explained. The mood of the Town was "GO".)

In recognition of the \$10,000 from Revenue Sharing funds that was voted to be used for the building program at the Town Meeting in March 1974, the School Board signed notes with the Rochester National Bank for \$136,000.

Construction proceeded slowly, delayed by the same shortages of equipment and material that have plagued the construction industry during the last two years.

The addition was finally occupied in late November, and at the time of this report, is essentially finished with only minor work and hardware items remaining to be completed.

The sewage disposal system was originally designed with a requirement for pumping necessitated by the Terrain of the School District land. Because of this, construction, operation and maintenance costs would have been high. The Committee agreed that prior to committing the design to construction the availability of adjacent and lower land should be investigated.

Subsequent negotiation resulted in the acquisition of an additional 2.2 acres of abutting land that permitted a redesign of the septic system utilizing a conventional gravity fed leach field.

Bids for this design were opened on October 2, 1974. One Bid was received and reluctantly rejected for three reasons: (1) there was only one bid; (2) land transactions had not been completed on the schedule anticipated; (3) the lateness of the season.

The Committee will re-advertise early this spring and expects completion of the work by June.

A formal accounting of the Building Fund as of June 30, 1974 is presented elsewhere in the School District Report. The following informal accounting (as of January 25) is made for informational purposes:

Funds Made Available		
Notes	\$136,000	
Revenue Sharing	<u>10,000</u>	
		\$146,000
Expended		
Build. Addition	\$105,906	
Land Acquisition	1,500	
Survey-Legal Costs	171	
Architectural Fee	7,000	
Temp. Space (Grades 3 & 4)	<u>430</u>	
		<u>\$115,007</u>
		\$ 30,993
Obligated		
Build. Addition (Balance)	\$ 20,694	
Architectural Fees	<u>596</u>	
		<u>\$ 21,290</u>
Balance		\$ 9,703
Other Income (Anticipated)		
Interest (approx.)	\$ 2,297	
Sale of unusable hardware and equipment (used, estimated)	<u>300</u>	
		<u>\$ 2,597</u>
Money Available for Completion		\$ 12,300
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Additional Requirements (Estimated)		
Septic System	\$ 10,000	
Lockers	2,000	
Shelves	<u>300</u>	
		<u>\$ 12,300</u>

The Committee would like to recognize and thank the Selectmen for their assistance, Mr. Donald Poppema and Mr. Russell Shillaber for their donated professional services, and the Center Strafford Baptist Church for its cooperation in making available temporary class room space.

We also express our appreciation to the entire school staff, the Hot Lunch program and Grade 3 and 4 parents for extra effort and understanding throughout the construction period.

The interest, effort and contribution of former School Board Members Robert Dowst and Carolyn Clarke in connection with the overall building program is recognized as well as the advice and council of Superintendent Morgan.

Respectfully submitted,
CAROLYN DAME
JOHN C. BOZAK
MARK C. THOMPSON
CARL T. GUSTAFSON, JR.
PHILIP L. DAME
EDGAR W. HUCKINS

HEALTH SERVICES 1973-1974

Routine student inspections, vision and hearing screening, observation of defects and notices to parents are completed as early in the school year as possible and repeated whenever necessary.

Once again the S.A.Y. sponsored our fall prophylaxis clinic, with Mrs. Anne Huckins, the hygienist in charge. Funds donated by S.A.Y. and the Bow Lake Community Club were matched by Dr. Peter Low, who provided much needed dental follow-up care for four of our students.

The *Idea Exchange Night*, with parents of pre-school first graders, was so well received last year it was repeated and gave all who attended the opportunity to become better acquainted with curriculum, testing, health services and personnel.

Our Health education program continues to grow, using new materials, films, film-strips and speakers whenever possible. Instruction continues to be provided in the areas of nutrition, dental and personal hygiene, safety, first-aid, venereal diseases, drugs, smoking and alcohol. Dr. Robert Andelman spoke to the Jr. High group on drugs, alcohol and tobacco this year, followed by a question and answer period.

Something new was added, when a *Baby Sitting Workshop* was offered to sixth grade boys and girls. Those who wanted to, attended four sessions, covering parent and sitter responsibility, first aid, safe surroundings and hazards of the home. A wallet size certificate and a booklet was given to each of the twenty-four girls and boys who completed the course.

Due to the state law, which requires immunizations be completed prior to school entry, and the fine work of the local

Rural Health, Well Child Clinic, in-coming students are better protected, than in previous years. Therefore the spring clinic at school shall be discontinued until such time as it might be needed. We thank Dr. Robert Andelman, who directed this year's immunizations: DT - 24, Polio - 11.

My sincere appreciation to parents, school staff, S.A.Y., Community Club, Dr. Peter Low, and Dr. Robert Andelman, for their dedication to the health of our students.

Sincerely yours,
LOIS FISTERE, R.N.

**STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
PROPOSED CALENDAR
1975-1976**

First Term	Sept. 3, 1975 to Dec. 19, 1975	73 days
Second Term	Jan. 5, 1976 to Feb. 13, 1976	30 days
Third Term	Feb. 23, 1976 to April 23, 1976	45 days
Fourth Term	May 3, 1976 to June 23, 1976	<u>37 days</u>
		185 days

Days Out

October 13	Columbus Day
October 17	Teachers' Convention
November 11	Veterans' Day
November 27 - 28	Thanksgiving Recess
February 16	Washington's Birthday Observance (See Winter Vacation)
April 26	Fast Day (See Spring Vacation)
May 31	Memorial Day

Vacations

December 22 to January 2	Christmas Vacation
February 16 to February 20	Winter Vacation
April 26 to April 30	Spring Vacation

Notes

The above calendar provides for 185 days of school. This allows either five full days for staff development, or 10 half days for staff development purposes. Days missed due to storms, etc., would need to be recovered either during vacation periods, or by extending the number of sessions. If the Staff Development program is to be effective, it needs to be operated as a part of the contracted school year.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1974

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Sex	Name of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Jan. 3	Portsmouth	M	Stuart E. Rainey	Wilbur R. Rainey	Sheila F. Hardy
Jan. 5	Concord	F	Laura L. Gosselin	David L. Gosselin	Susan L. Gauthier
Feb. 12	Dover	F	Kelly A. Omand	Richard C. Omand	Charlene M. Potter
Feb. 23	Stoneham, Mass.	F	Raechel A. Loring	Graham B. Loring	Stephanie K. Grisham
Apr. 3	Rochester	F	April L. Harding	Richard H. Harding	Edith M. Barber
Apr. 22	Dover	M	Noah F. Thompson	Mark C. Thompson	Carol A. Davis
May 28	Dover	F	Kirsten H. Andelman	Robert J. Andelman	Judith L. Myers
June 8	Concord	F	Alison Whitcher	Mark W. Whitcher	Judith L. McCartin
July 17	Rochester	M	Michael H. Phillips	Ronald H. Phillips	Sharon A. Mason
Sept. 18	Dover	F	Carrie A. Bartlett	James E. Bartlett	Kathryn A. Harding
Nov. 14	Dover	M	Robert M. Scott	John J. Scott	Patricia F. Young

I hereby certify that the above is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.
 PHYLLIS F. LYNBURG
 Town Clerk

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1974

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Age	Place of Birth	Occupation	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Jan. 4	Strafford	Kenneth E. Foss	58	N. H.	Farm Service	Earlon Foss	Hattie Berry
Jan. 15	Manchester	Alberton H. Berry	57	N. H.	Truck Driver	Guy Berry	Eva Weymouth
Mar. 25	Rochester	Marjorie E. Berry	55	N. H.	Housewife	Frank Wilkenson	Lucy Roles
Apr. 10	Chamblee, Ga.	Marjorie V. Thomas	45	Mass.	Housewife	Stanley M. Gardner	Lottie Rodenhizer
Apr. 11	Rochester	Lillian Veilleux	79	N. H.	Housewife	..... Bryant	.....
May 4	Rochester	Ruth A. Huckins	76	N. H.	Housewife	Charles S. Brock	Mary Meader
May 19	Rochester	Irene B. Whitney	59	Mass.	Housewife	Daneil B. Beard	.....
July 4	Concord	Dennis G. Conroy	18	Mass.	Cook	William M. Conroy, Jr.	Marion McLean
July 6	Concord	George McLean	76	N. Y.	Shipwright	John C. McLean	Angleiana Murdock
July 14	Rochester	Arthur H. Enroth	68	Mass.	Building Supt.	Peter H. Enroth	Susan W. Niemi
July 14	Strafford	William E. O'Brien	56	Mass.	Adm. Assist.	William O'Brien	Margaret Donovan
Sept. 2	Rochester	Clayton J. Schenk	88	Mich.	Engineer	John W. Schenk	Mary Wolfer
Sept. 9	Rochester	George McDonald	74	Mass.	Maintenance Man	Frank McDonald	Hattie Perie
Sept. 21	Rochester	Ellen R. Gilman	65	N. H.	Hospital Employee	Alpha D. Tuttle	Eva M. Hall
Nov. 16	Rochester	Stella A. Foss	85	N. H.	Housewife	David O. Libby	Cora A. Caswell
Nov. 22	Rochester	Cora Felker	88	N. H.	Farm Owner	Charles Felker	Betsy Brock
Nov. 29	Rochester	Gertrude M. Beach	93	Nova			
Dec. 9	Concord	Oscar B. Pratt	77	Scotia	Housewife	Jason Lavers	Mary Lavers
Dec. 18	Dover	Irene Saunders	80	Mass.	Greenhouse Grower Housewife	Frank Pratt Hebert Andre	Abbie M. Julia Arsenal

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MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1974

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom & Bride	Res. of Each at Time of Marriage	Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Parents	By Whom Married
Apr. 20	Rochester	Frank E. Trask	Laconia	Jul. 22, 1948	N. H.	Alison K. Trask Beatrice M. Burbank	Shermonth Stevens Minister
		Dawn N. Nation	Strafford	Sept. 3, 1949	N. H.	Alfred E. Nation Barbara L. Hallet	Gilmanton I. W.
May 26.	Strafford	Gregory J. Grant	Rochester	Feb. 6, 1950	Wa. D.C.	Andrew T. Grant Marie Jones	David M. Linn Episcopal Clergy
		Lois B. Andelman	Strafford	Mar. 30, 1950	Mass.	Marshall E. Andleman Evelyn Weiner	Strafford
June 23	Rochester	Charles V. Clement III	Rochester	Feb. 22, 1952	Mass.	Charles V. Clement Barbara G. Cashman	Donald H. Marsh Priest
		Patricia A. Thorne	Strafford	June 4, 1955	N. H.	George W. Thorne Olive H. Shiere	Rochester
July 13	Rochester	David C. Evans	E. Rochester	Jan. 16, 1935	N. H.	Chet Evans Rena H. Johnson	Gerald Allard Justice of Peace
		Andrea M. Crosby	Strafford	Dec. 3, 1938	N. H.	Harold L. Crosby Shirley G. Allen	Rochester
Aug. 2	Portsmouth	Glenn A. Foote	Strafford	Jan. 26, 1954	Mass.	Ronald W. Foote Hazel Watmough	John S. Buccine Justice of Peace
		Jennie R. Dutton	Jackson, Mi.	Feb. 14, 1954	Mi.	Howard A. Dutton Beula M. Dorer	Portsmouth

Aug. 24	Strafford	Randolph J. Kranepuhl	Southbury, Ct.	May 3, 1952	Ct.	Herbert E. Kranepuhl	Walter N. Garland
		Sharon R. Bragdon	Strafford	May 15, 1952	N.H.	Vivian G. Smith	Justice of Peace
						Benjamin T. Bragdon	Farmington
						Charlesena I. Kydd	
Aug. 24	Wilton	Karl L. Smith, Jr.	Strafford	Jul. 22, 1950	N. H.	Karl L. Smith	Frank W. Carpenter
		Donna M. Ireland	Milford	Dec. 29, 1953	N.H.	Ruth L. Maher	Minister
						Richard D. Ireland	Wilton
						Mary T. Santinelli	
Sept. 7	Strafford	James P. Barnes, Jr.	Rochester	Apr. 5, 1943	R. I.	James P. Barnes	Howard B. Higgins
		Susan C. Stiles	Strafford	Oct. 19, 1951	N.H.	Harritte Dewhirist	Clergyman
						James F. Stiles	Ctr. Strafford
						Marjorie Wheeler	
Sept. 7	Northwood	Wayne T. Chadbourn	Strafford	June 12, 1953	N.H.	Robert L. Chadbourn	Everett E. Pender
		Cathy L. Allen	Northwood	Feb. 27, 1956	N.H.	Viva Caverly	Clergyman
						John E. Allen	Northwood
						Shirley Bousquet	
Oct. 12	Gonic	Gary G. Castine	Strafford	Aug. 13, 1955	Mass.	Eugene H. Castine	R. J. Gallant
		Taralie A. Tufts	Rochester	Feb. 2, 1957	N.H.	Margaret J. Doody	Roman Catholic
						Lauriston S. Tufts	Priest
						Elizabeth A. Pomerleau	Gonic
Nov. 3	Strafford	Ronald W. Lewis	Strafford	May 13, 1943	Wy.	George W. Lewis	Thomas M. Dudley, Jr.
		Linda L. Connelly	Strafford	Mar. 24, 1944	Ar.	Marianne Parsons	Justice of Peace
						Stevenson Lee	Durham
						Thelma Pedron	

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